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First Criminal Sessions, 12 noon.
P. C. A. Shannon, with English mails of the 22nd ultimo, due to arrive, 10 a.m.
Bombay Fifth Extra Races.
Bombay Yacht Club Races.
R. Y. R. Parades.
Tivoli Theatre, the Strand Comedy Company.
Music on the Esplanade, 5-30 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Sun rises, 6h. 33m. Sun sets, 5h. 56m. High water, 7-12m., 2-54a. Low water, 8-23m. 8-20a.
Bombay Foxhounds meet, Bamanwady.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The steamers Ceres, Firn Field, and Brahamani left the dock yesterday.

DR. D. S. FRASER, L.R.C.P.E., L.R.C.S.E., L.F.P. and S.G., late of the Grant Medical College, has, we are informed, been appointed Assistant Surgeon to Drs. Tay and Gum, at the Royal Ophthalmic Hospital, Moorfields.

LECTURE ON EPIDEMICS.—A public lecture will be delivered in English at the Bhavalsky Lodge, Theosophical Society, Bombay Branch, 37, Hornby Road, Fort, to-morrow (Sunday), at 5-30 p.m. Subject: "Epidemics from the Theosophical standpoint." Mr. David Gostling will preside. The public are cordially invited to attend.

NEW MAHOMEDAN BARRISTER-AT-LAW.—Mr. Hussan Sherfudin Khalil, who has been studing for the Bar for the last two years at England, has successful ly passed the final examination, held in the Middle Temple Hall. Mr. Hussan Sherfudin, who is a graduate of the Bombay University, is the first Kokni Mahomedan that has passed the above examination.

THEFT FROM A GIRL WHILE ASLEEP.—Dharamsey Nanji, a grain merchant, residing near the Matoonga Railway station, reported to the police, on Thursday morning, that some time during the previous night someone entered his bedroom through an open window, and stole a gold bangle, valued at Rs. 30, from the arm of a little girl, who was lying asleep in the bed, and four German silver goblets, valued at Rs. 2-12, from a shelf.

BHAVNAGAR NEWS.—Our Correspondent writes:—The exodus from Bombay has added to the population of Porebunder by about 15,000.—As a prisoner was being conveyed to Bhavnagar,on the 23th ultimo, under the escort of two policemen,from Botad, in the mixed train, he managed somehow or other to escape from police custody. The policeman are being prosecuted.—Jasan ceremonies were performed here in the "Umrigar Agiary," when prayers to God to free Bombay from the present scourge,were offered.

MUSIC ON THE ESPLANADE.—The Band of the G. I. P. Railway Volunteers will play the following programme at the Esplanade Bandstand, this evening, at 5-30:—

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Polka	Florenza	A. W. Maldiggiani.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

SUICIDE BY A LONELY HUSBAND.—Mr. Allan F. Turner, the coroner, held an inquiry, yesterday, at the Gocul tas Tejpal Hospital, touching the death of Luximon Godaji, a dock labourer, aged thirty years, residing in the Sara's cart at Kalbadevie Road. Deceased sent his wife and two children to their native country about a month and a-half ago, on account of the bubonic fever prevailing in Bombay. For the last five or six days Luximon had been suffering from fever, and had nothing to eat for about three or four days previous, and had no one to attend on him,as his neighbours,who were under the impression that he was suffering from the bubonic fever, were frightened to go near him in his room, although, in fact, he was suffering from ordinary fever. On Thursday afternoon, about 4 o'clock, Luximon was delirious, and about 8 o'clock, the same evening, while Babaji Ramji, a dock labourer, residing in the same chawl, was seated near the flag staff, by the Municipality in the cart, he heard a splash in a well, which is close to the room occupied by the deceased, as if someone or other had fallen or jumped into the well. On hearing the alarm being raised by several persons, who ran to the well, police patrol No. 379-C, who happened to pass by the way, appeared on the scene, and looking into the well, with the aid of his lantern, discovered the water in it was disturbed. Another policeman went into the well and tied the deceased by his waist, who was then hauled up. On being brought out of the well it was found that deceased was still alive, and that he had his senses with him. He was ab once placed in a gharry and conveyed to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital, where he died about five minutes after admission. The police, on searching the deceased's room, found a knife lying near it, which is stained with fresh blood on it. The House Surgeon in his evidence stated that deceased had an incised wound of about three inches in length on the front and upper part of the neck, opening the wind-pipe, and that the death was due to hemorrhage from the cut that wound, which could have been inflicted with the knife shown to him. It appears that deceased during the delirium cut his throat with the knife and then threw himself into the well. A verdict of suicide was recorded.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.—The council of this charitable society, begs to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of the following donations during the year 1896 towards the General Fund and Christmas Appeal:—(General Fund).—H. E the Right Hon'ble Lord Sandhurst, G. C. I. E. (Governor of Bombay), Rs. 20; H. H. the Hon'ble Maharaja Bahadur of Dhrangadra, K. C. S. I., Rs. 25; Dinshaw Manockji Petit, Baro., Mr. E. Ferres Nicholson, and Standard Oil Co. of New York, each Rs. 25; the Hon'ble Mr. Nowrosjee N. Wadia, C. I. E., Rs. 15; members of the Mr. Justice Ameer Ali, Mr. Justice Agabeg, Mr. George Cotton, W. C., Mr. P. E. Fisher, A. M. T. J., Mr. C. B. Lynch, and Mr. H. J. Rustomjee, each Rs. 10; the Hon'ble Mr. Justice E Hosking, Mr. Hon'ble Dhanjibhai, C. S. I., Sir Dinshaw Manockji Petit, Baro., Mr. E. Ferres Nicholson, and Standard Oil Co. of New York, each Rs. 25; the Hon'ble Mr. Nowrosjee N. Wadia, C. I. E., Rs. 15; members of the Mr. Justice Ameer Ali, Mr. Justice Agabeg, Mr. George Cotton, W. C., Mr. P. E. Fisher, A. M. T. J., Mr. C. B. Lynch, and Mr. H. J. Rustomjee, each Rs. 10; the Hon'ble Mr. Justice E Hosking, Mr. Justice Budrudin Tyabji, H. E. G. Comptoir de National D'Escompte and de Paris, Mr. manjee Dinshaw Petit, E. W. K., G. H. T., J. C. G. B., G. D., Mr. Jeejeebhoy F. Petit, R. A. E., G. P. de S., G. G. G., Hormusjee Eduljee Camas Charity Fund, Mr. R. F. Bruton, Mr. J. O Connell, Framjee Muncherjee Cama Charity, Messrs. Sorabji N. Talate and Co., D. H. G., Credit, Lyonnais, Mr. C. T. Burke and, Mr. R. Vedanta Charlu, each Rs. 8; E. R. J. Messrs. Tullochand and Shoorjee, Mr. H. R. Bunk, Messrs. Cowasjee Dinshaw and Bros., K. Y., and Mr. D. Gostling, each Rs. 3; Dr. K. H. Deane, Rs. 2. (Christmas Appeal).—Mr. Alex. J. Agabeg, C. B. L., Credit Lyonnais, Mr. Cowasjee Cotton, and Comptoir, each Rs. 10; the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Arthur Strachey, E. N. K., Mr. H. J. Rustomjee, G. P. deS., P. T., H. E. E. P., G. H. T., F. L. W., S. N. T. and Co., Messrs. S. J. Villery and Co., F. A. O., A. M. T. J., Hormusjee Eduljee Cama Charity Fund, P. B. S., C. F. F., Framjee Muncherji Cama's Charity, Mr. P. F. Fisher, Messrs. Marcks and Co., L., G. W. M., and Messrs. Whiteaway Laidlaw and Co., each Rs. 5; M. G., H. C. and C., and H-G., each Rs. 3; S. P., T. Y. G., Mr. R. C. Lees, R. G. C., L. P., H. J. L., Mr. Furdoonji Nusserwanjee Postwalla, Mr. S. D. Sassoon, D. H. G., and Mr. Khursheedjee F. Kapadia, each Rs. 2. Further contributions will be thankfully received by Mr. David Thompson, Honorary Treasurer, and acknowledged in the local newspapers.

NAGPUR NOTES.

OUR Correspondent writes:—On Sunday last, a smart shower of rain, accompanied by thunder and lightning, took us by surprise. We had also some gusts of cyclonic winds which did great damage to many fine tree in the town as well as to some houses. Kamptee, too, has had its share of the damage, especially the G. I. P. Railway line. The Telegraph line between Jalamb and Murtiyapur has also been greatly injured. If we may judge from atmospheric indications the overhanging clouds yet contain a good amount of moisture, and I am afraid will add to the prevailing scarcity, and thus in consequence the poverty-stricken will find it difficult to keep the wolf from the door.

Tuesday last, some idle persons set afloat a rumour to the effect that a notice had been promulgated that the prices of grain had been raised yet higher. As may be expected, there was great discomfiture at what was justly considered another crushing act of extortion by the grain-dealers, several of whom, a representative visited and was assured that the rumour was void of foundation. In fact, the prices, which ruled in the afternoon at the Mungal Bazaar, were, seven or seven and a half *pailis* of rice per rupee, wheat seven *pailis*, toorda eight *pailis*, and jowari eleven *pailis*, all these being considered of good sort. The other sorts of a doubtful quality were also exhibited in the bazaar than those quoted above, and these latter seem to have, judging from the crowds surrounding them, a readier sale among the poorer classes, no matter what risk they exposed themselves to by using this grain, as we do not doubt that such is inconsiderable as bad grain has been the source of many a fatal disease, and according to Dr. Waters' recent proof, of the bubonic plague, too, no doubt our local sanitary authorities will give the matters all the attention it deserves, for "Prevention is better than cure."

The heavy rain on Monday night, and heavier still on Tuesday night, accompanied by thunder and lightning, and accompanied by a fooltish waste of the Volunteers in camp, and their morning manœuvres were also hampered to a certain extent, though all the men, both of the B. N. Railway and the Regular troops, the Native Infantry, and the Royal Artillery soldiers had to go through all sorts of military discipline. From early hours of the morning, till 1 and 2 p. m., the Volunteers were out daily since Monday last. The scene of these annual operations closes to-day, after inspection, which will be followed by a ball, given by the B. N. Railway Volunteers.

To-day was a great day for the local guardians of the cattle. About three to four thousand cow and bulls were marched right round the city, headed by the Mahajans.

The local Gowruckshan, at Nagpur, is one of the rarest institutions which natives take a great interest in and the late Rhai Bahadur C. Narain Swamy when alive was a most prominent figure of the Institution, though, I doubt, very much he was a total vegetarian. He had a deal of outward show without inward grace in him.

It is said that the immigration from Bombay into Nagpur since December last, amounts to 6,000, souls, and still we wonder that none of these not-over clean tenements brought the plague bacillus with them so far.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

WESTERN India Lawn-Tennis Championship Meeting to be held between 15th March and 20th March 1897.

Gentlemen's Single Championship. Entrance fee Rs. 10. Prize, silver Challenge Cup, value Rs. 500, to be held for one year by the winner. Also a special prize, value Rs. 75.

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The entries close on 9th March 1897.

J. C. BROOKS,
Honorary Secretary,
Lawn-Tennis, Bombay Gymkhana.

"PROGRESS AND REFORM IN INDIA."

MR. R. P. Karkaria's book on "Progress and Reform in India during the past Forty Years" promises to go into a second edition. The volume has found its way to the favour of intelligent circles not only in Great Britain, but also over the Continent, and even in the United States and the Colonies. What is specially noticeable about it is the hearty welcome it has received from different sections of the Press, literary, political, and religious. This is due to the character of Mr. Malabari's life and work, independent as both have been of party trammels. A career like his has its inconveniences, but there are compensations with al, the richest of which, perhaps, await one in the judgment of posterity.

We are indebted to Mr. Henry Frowde for a copy of the prospectus of Mr. Karkaria's book, with extracts from leading reviews. Of these the *Times* accepts the book as "very valuable, recording the silent revolution in thought and ideals, which is affecting millions of homes" in India, and which is "contemporary with the labours of one man who has impressed his personality on the change throughout." The *Times* looks upon Mr. Malabari's private life as "beautiful and pathetic." The *Daily News*, on the other hand, finds in his career ample justification of "Macaulay's adoption of the English side in the educational controversy which raged during his residence in the East," as against the Oriental side. Remarking upon "some pathetic and romantic incidents" in the childhood of Mr. Karkaria's hero, the reviewer describes his mother as a woman of "moral genius" as well as of "mental power and strong commonsense." After referring to Mr. Malabari's literary gifts and their escape from destruction under the "brainless cast-iron system," that marks the working of the average University, the *Daily News* bears witness to the value of his work in Gujerat and Bombay. The evening paper sent out his mother with the boy. He shut himself up in the room with Parvatti. Ultimately having killed Parvatti and locked the door of the room, prisoner left the place with the child, his mother and the infant, taking the deceased's ornaments in a box with him. They proceeded in a railway train to Surat, where prisoner sold some of the deceased's ornaments. They next went to Broach, where some more ornaments were sold; and eventually they reached the Abu Road station, where they were arrested on the morning of the 19th November. He was then brought to Bombay with his mother and the child. After investigation made in this place, it was discovered that the mother of the accused could have had no part in the commission of the murder. She had therefore been granted a pardon and would give evidence in the case. His lordship would tell the jury that being an accomplice, her evidence should be corroborated by independent testimony, which would be done. Her evidence was to the effect that, after their return from the Victoria Gardens on the 17th November, the accused and Parvatti had a quarrel. The mother was sent to fetch parched rice and gram, and the accused went out to bring milk for the child. Afterwards the accused sent his mother and the child to a place in the chawl, where some "Tooisay" ceremony was going on. On the mother's return to her room, she saw Parvatti lying on the floor with blood issuing from her. The door of the room was afterwards locked up, and the prisoner, his mother and the child, left Bombay by a railway train for Surat.

Evidence was called for the prosecution. Several witnesses having been examined.

Dr. Sidney Smith, surgeon to the coroner, said in his evidence that there was an incised wound on the neck of the deceased. Another wound on the throat of the deceased was to the depth of one inch and a-quarter. It was a deep wound all round, so deep that it exposed the front of the spinal column. It was impossible that the wound could have been self-inflicted.

At the close of the case for the prosecution, the prisoner, in answer to the court, stated that, after his wife's death, he went to call Parvatti to come and live with him. She came and went with him to live at Nagpore for a fortnight. They afterwards went and lived at Varrora. He brought her to Bombay with his child and mother in order that she might take care of the child. While in Bombay he dismissed Parvatti from about Rs. 110 which accused had paid to Parvatti; and his mother said she would not live with her unless Parvatti paid back the money to her. Accused had been in Bombay for nearly seven days, the Government Dockyard, where he was employed as a fitter on Rs. 1-7-0 a day. On their return from the Victoria Gardens, Parvatti lay down with the child, and accused went to prepare food for them. After his return home, he found his mother sitting in the passage with the child. He asked his mother why she was sitting outside, and she said a misfortune had taken place in the room, and he must see his own throat. Accused remarked that there was no knife, that Parvatti was sleeping at the time he went out, and asked his mother how Parvatti could have cut her throat. His mother then told him that she had taken the knife out of his box and had cut Parvatti's throat. She advised that they should run away from Bombay, and they accordingly did so. She said she had removed all the ornaments from the person of the deceased before they left Bombay.

Mr. Lang briefly summed up the evidence he had called for the prosecution.

Mr. Kirkpatrick then addressed the jury for the defence. He suggested that the prisoner's mother was the real person who committed the murder. She bore Parvatti a long-cherished enmity, and availing herself of the absence of her son, and seeing Parvatti lying asleep on the floor, she took the knife out of prisoner's box and cut Parvatti's throat. The learned counsel commented upon the evidence at great length and put forward several points in support of his theory that the prisoner could have had no motive, no interest in committing the murder.

His Lordship summed up the case presented considerable difficulty, and it would be more satisfactory if he addressed the jury, after going through the evidence, the following day. The jury were given the choice of meeting at any hour convenient to them.

At 5-30 p.m., the court adjourned till 12 noon, to day (Saturday).

REJOICINGS IN DAMAUN.

WRITING on Wednesday, our Correspondent says:—Damaun assumed an unusually gay appearance on the morning of Sunday last. People who, owing to one cause or another, were, only the day before, sad and downcast countenances, were seen gadding everywhere in various groups, laughing at the fear they had entertained of their condition becoming threatening from critical and eulogising the praiseworthy and successful efforts of a certain few, whom they considered their leader, towards the weal of the country. The import duties, which were properly characterised, in a communication which appeared in the columns of the Bad Dnyan, as vexatious, pernicious, and which hampered the trade of Damaun to the great benefit of the adjoining British stations, and for the total abolition or fair reduction of which a deputation of this people waited upon the Governor-General of Portuguese India while on his visit here last November, were fairly reduced, all round, except on spirits and gunpowder, to five per cent, advalorem. The people were rejoiced to hear this welcome intelligence communicated to them "Editorial Official" of Goa, received by that morning's post, but in the exuberance of their joy they did not forget their duty of expressing their gratitude towards the leader of the deputations who had borne the expenses and undertaken the difficult task of convincing the fully-empowered representative of the ruler of the unjustifiable character of the tariff. From 4 p.m., crowds of people, consisting principally of traders, began to gather at the residence of Mr. Rymundo Fernandes, and at five o'clock the people thanked Mr. Fernandes and his octogenarian father for the support they had given at the time of making a representation to the Governor-General, and requested them to take immediate steps to have the same in a befitting manner their appreciation of the labours of their leader. On the spur of the moment, an address in the Gujrathi language was prepared, and numerously signed, and a procession was formed, headed by Mr. Rymundo Fernandes, Dr. Satpute, Mr. Ardesir Ruttonji Dadarwalla, and Mr. Dadabhoy Dadarwalla, and followed by hundreds of people, and wended its way to the residence of Shet Sorabji Manockji Damaunwala. It was a surprise to Mr. Sorabji to find such a large crowd in his compound, and as his office was insufficient to accommodate them, he ordered his spacious and magnificent hall to be opened for the reception of the people, and as soon as every person was accommodated, Mr. Fernandes informed Mr. Sorabji that the people had come to express their gratitude for the success achieved through his exertions in a matter of vital importance to the people of Damaun, and desired to present an address to him. The Gujratti address was then read by Mr. Erakshaw Hormasji Dadarwalla. It stated, among other things, that the people were proud in acknowledging Shet Sorabji as their head, that he had always the welfare of the people at heart, that he had during the recent visit of the Governor-General, at considerable expense and personal exertions represented to his Excellency convincingly the hardship of the duties, which were one of the principal causes of the gradual ruin of Damaun, with the result that they were reduced to a fair standard, that he was a noble son, walking in the footsteps of a noble father, the late lamented Shet Manockji, who, as the head of the people, was unswerving in his exertions towards the weal of the country, and that they prayed that God would bless Shet Sorabji with long life so that he always was their head and supporter in time of need. At the conclusion of the address, the hall was ringing with cries of "Viva" for Shet Sorabji and the Governor-General. In reply to the address, Shet Sorabji informed the assembly that he was overwhelmed with the encomiums that had been lavished upon him in the address, which, he said, he did not deserve. That he had what little he did, but he preferred to a debt which he owed to his mother-country, and that he heartily thanked them for the esteem they cherished towards him. That if any body was deserving of the honor that had been bestowed upon him that evening, it was the post-master, Mr. Monroe, who belonged to a noble family, and who had with disinterested motives taken a most active part in obtaining the reduction of the duties, and also his uncle, the baron of Comberjua, who worked in the same sphere at Goa. He further stated that it was incumbent upon them to convey their thanks to the Governor-General, and though it was customary to do so, through the Municipal Corporation, yes, as it would be some days before Corporation held their next sitting, he proposed, with the consent of the people, to send a telegram thanking the Governor-General for the boon conferred upon the people of Damaun. Subsequently, Mr. Monrao, and his uncle, the Baron, will be deputed on behalf of the people to see his Excellency and personally thank him. The whole assembly acquiesced in the proposal, and it was resolved to send the telegram the next day. After the distribution of pan supari, the assembly dispersed, raising dinning cries of "Viva" for Shet Sorabji, Mr. Monrao, the Governor-General, and the King of Portugal.

The next day, Monday, from sunrise to noon, bands of native musicians paraded throughout the city, playing music, and at 4 p.m., Shet Sorabji, accompanied by about five hundred people of all communities, paid a visit to the Governor of Damaun and thanked him for the assistance he had rendered in the reduction of the duties.

At night the public market and the main road were illuminated.

THE WEATHER.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M., ON FRIDAY, THE 5TH OF FEBRUARY, 1897.

SUMMARY.

THERE has been a brisk rise of pressure at Allahabad, Jubbulpore, Nagpur, Amraoti, Akola, Ahmednagar, Ratnagiri and Belgaum, and a brisk fall at Karachi, and a slight rise or fall elsewhere. The distribution is somewhat irregular, and the baric gradients are slight. Winds are very variable in direction, and the force has been moderate to light: This morning the wind velocity was 12 miles an hour at Bhuj, and 10 at Veraval and Ghadechi. The maximum temperature is in large to very large excess of the normal at Indore, Khandwa, Nagpur, Akola, Malegaon, Sholapur, Bagalcot, Secunderabad and Bellary, and the minimum similarly so at Lahore, Sirsa, Jeypore, Ajmere, Saugor, Jubbulpore, Hoshangabad, Raipur, Nagpur, Bangalore and Secunderabad. The highest temperature in the shade was 99·9 at Cuddapah, and the lowest 49·0 at Sirsa. Humidity changes are very irregular, and the skies are cloudy to overcast at Sirsa, Delhi, Agra, Jeypore, Ajmere, Deesa, Ahmedabad, Neemuch, Ratnagiri, Masulipatam and Cuddapah. Light to moderate showers have fallen at Karachi and Jacobabad. The abnormal chart indicates the existence of a low pressure area over Sind, and the weather to the west-north-westward of this low pressure appears to be in an unsettled condition. Conditions are favourable for local rain in Sind and the Punjab. The weather over the country lying to the north of Latitude 18° is likely to become more or less cloudy.

Acting Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

(BY TELEGRAPH)

SIMLA, FEB. 3.

Friday:—The barometer his fallen in the greater part of North-West India, the change having been brisk to rapid over the Indus Valley and Baluchistan. A shallow depression has appeared over lower Sind and except over North-West India. The barom eter has risen, and the change has been borisk to rapid in North-East India and the highest readings are established over Assam Valley. Winds are strong over North-West Himalalas and over Rajputana and Guzerat, but elsewhere they are light or mo lerate. The mean temperature has risen in Bengal, guzerat, Central India and fallen in Burma, the Punjab, and changed irregularly elswhere. The heat is excessive almost every where and rain has ceased in Punsia, but continues in Baluchistan, where Chaman reports nought 0,24 inch, and Quetta 0,03 inch. Showers of less than one fifth of an inch have also been received at Calcutta Balasore, Debra Ismailkhan, Multan, Karachi, Hyderabad and Jacobabad. Conditions are unsettled over North-West India.

UNDELIVERED TELEGRAMS.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

FRIDAY EVENING, FEB. 5.

TRADE in this city remains partially paralysed owing to the exodus of a large portion of the native trading and labouring population in the nearly unabated prevalence of the virulent fever epidemic; and a renewal of business can hardly be looked for until, with the return of the hot weather, expected about the middle of March, it is hoped that the pestilence will disappear. Meantime a comparatively fair amount of business has been done in the aggregate, in our principal export staple by European shippers, at about previous rates; and purchases for Japan have continued, but local consumers have again been very small buyers. Wheat and Seeds remain in the same position, and the daily imports of produce generally continues to be upon a very moderate scale. Rates of Exchange fluctuated to the extent of 3-32d. until to-day, when the market became firm at an advance of 3-32d., our closing quotations showing an advance of 5-32d. in both Bank and Private Paper on those of last Friday evening. Money is very scarce and in active demand. Government Paper is ½ per cent. lower for 3½ per Cents; and one per cent. down for Threes. Freights, after having been steadier, with rather more doing for Continental ports, have become every quiet again; but rates are nominally unchanged. Business in Imports is almost at a standstill and quotations generally are nominal.

MONEY.—An increase of some 17½ lakhs in the Cash Balance was disclosed by the Statement of Affairs of the Presidency Bank issued on Monday, at 127 lakhs, this addition having been brought about mainly by an increase at the Bank's head office and branches, aggregating nearly 12 lakhs. As to the trade demand for Money, there were withdrawals from Private Deposits to the extent of 15½ lakhs, and a material increase in Loans; while, on the other hand, there was a diminution of 15½ lakhs in Bills Discounted, thus making a net increase in trade requirements of nearly 5 lakhs, compared with no movement either way in the week preseding. Money has continued very scarce, but there was a further shrinkage in the demand for accommodation, a natural outcome of the present state of business in this city.

The market, meantime, has become very tight again, and Money is in active request. The Bank of Bombay minimum rate remains at 10 per cent.; but in the open market there has been an advance of 2 per cent., say to 12 per cent.

EXCHANGE opened steady last mail-day at 1s. 3 9-32d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 3 7-16 to 13-32d. for three months' sight Credits, with a moderate amount of the latter reported placed; but for Bank Paper there was but little enquiry for near delivery, though for forward delivery there was a fair enquiry. The tone of the maket continued steady on Monday with 1s. 3 7-16d. quoted for three months' sight Credits, 1s. 3 9-32d. for Bank Telegraphic, and 1s. 3 9-32d. to 5-16d. for Demand. A fair amount of Bank Wire Transfer was taken, and a few Merchants' Bills were reported placed, 1s. 3 9-32d. was the quotation for Bank Telegraphic at opening on Tuesday, 1s. 3 5-16d. for Demand, and 1s. 3 7-16d. for three months' sight Credits, from which rates advanced, and Wire Transfer was obtainable at 1s. 3 11-32d., after a considerable amount had been taken in the early part of the day at 1s. 3 5-16d.; Merchants' Bills were scarce. On Wednesday 1s. 3 3/8d. was quoted for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 3-2d. for three months, sight Credits. Some Wire Transfer was reported sold at the quotation, but Mercantile Bills continued scarce. The market was quiet but steady in tone yesterday at 1s. 3 5-16d. for bank Telegraphic and Demand, at which a considerable amount was placed with the Bazaar. Later in he day rates advanced 1-32d. a small business in Bank Wire Transfer having been reported at the enhanced rate. This morning the market opened firm at 1s. 3 11-32d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and at 1s. 3½d. for three months' sight Credits, and quickly advanced 1-32d., all round when a fair business was done in Merchants' Bills, there having also been an enquiry for Bank Paper. Later on in the day rates again advanced, and 1s. 3 7-16d. Telegraphic and Demand was procurable 1s. 3 19-32d. having been the rate for three months' sight Credids; the market closing firm as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand	1s. 3 7-16d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 3 7-16d.	"
Do. 3 months' sight	1s. 3 1-2d.	"
Credits do.	1s. 3 19-32d.	"
Do. 6 do.	1s. 3 23-32d.	"
Documents 3 mos' sight	1s. 3 5-8d.	"
Do. 6 do.	1s. 3 3-4d.	"
French 3 do.	104	"
Do. 6 do.	105	"

GOVERNMENT PAPER was quoted last mail-day at 99½ for Cash and the Settlement, and 99 5-8 for the 3rd March Account, for 3½ per Cents, while 96½ was named for 3 per Cents, but rates were to a great extent nominal. Rates opened on Monday at 99 1-8 for Cash and the Settlement for 3½ per Cents but declined to 99; the March Account was quoted at 99 9-16, and 3 per Cents at 96 3-4, but the market remained inanimate in the absence of brokers and dealers. On Tuesday 99 1-8 was named for 3 1-2 per Cents for Cash and 99 7-8 for the Settlement on the 3rd March, but very little business transpired either way. For 3 1-2 per Cents, the rate on Wednesday for Cash was 99 3-8 and 99 3-4 for the March Account, with 97 for Threes. Hardly any business transpired in any line, and the rates were nominal. Yesterday rates again opened at 99 3-8 and 99 3-4 for Money and Account, respectively, for 3 1-2 per Cents, and continued at the same level to the close, with but little business reported; for Threes 97 was the nominal quotation. There has been some decline in rates for 3 1-2 per Cents, to-day since the opening 99 1-8 having been quoted for Cash and 99 7-16 for the 3rd March Account; while 97 has been the nominal rate for Threes; but next to no business has transpired on any line.

Five per cent. Municipal Loan, and Port Trust Bonds are unchanged at 130 and 109, respectively.

SHARES.—This market has remained virtually closed during the past week in the continued absence of brokers and dealers, and the quotations in our list must be taken as nominal in the absence of business.

IMPORTS.

PIECE-GOODS.—Out of about 800 shops in the Bazaar for staple *Grey Goods* only about 40 to 50 are now open, and these for about four to five hours a day only, the proprietors of the others continuing to absent themselves from Bombay in fear of the Bubonic fever. The business reported during the week has been mostly of a wholesale character, there having been hardly any retail enquiry in the Bazaars. The business passing in the way of orders to Great Britain and the Continent are hardly 2 annas worth in the rupee of the average at this time of the year. Meantime Stocks are fast increasing in warehouse. The above remarks apply also to *Bleached, Dyed, Turkey Red,* and *Printed* goods. Clearances of *Imported goods* from the Bazaar during the week are been about 700 packages; and of *Locally made goods* some 500 bales.

YARNS.—The market for *Imported Twist* is dull in tone with next to nothing doing; but prices are nominally unchanged: Sales of *Local Spinnings* in China for the week under notice have been about 7,000 bales. China buyers have this week done some business in the Bazaar at Paydhonie; and some dealers have re-opened their establishments, and done a small business. The week's Sales are put down at 2,000 bales.

METALS.—The shops of the dealers in *Copper Yellow Metal,* and *Iron* have generally remained closed, their owners being still absent from Bombay. Consequently business is at a standstill in these markets, and quotations are nominal.

COAL.—Sales have been reported during the week of a cargo of *Powell's Duffryn,* February-March shipment, at Rs. 22 per ton; and of ready *Desayer Bengal,* at Rs. 13 to Rs. 13½, and the same description for February shipment at Rs. 13 per ton. *Japan* Coal, for February-March shipment, has been sold at Rs. 14½ per ton. There is an advance in Freight from Calcutta to Bombay no sellers are holding their coal for better prices. We quote alongside:—

Welsh Hartley	...	*Nil.*
West "	...	"
Australian ...	...	"
Powell's Duffryn	...	Rs. 22 per ton.
Cardiff ...	...	" 23 "
Japan ...	...	" 14½ per ton.
Bengal ...	...	" 13 "
Singareni	...	" 13½ Rail delivery
Seebpore	...	" 13 per ton.
Sanctoria	...	" 13½ "

EXPORTS.

COTTON has generally been quiet in tone during the past week; but beyond a slight advance in prices of Bengal, Broach, and Bhownuggur, there has been no movement in prices. The amount of business credited to European shippers up to yesterday evening was about 5,000 bales, consisting mainly of Oomrawattee descriptions, but including some Bengal, Karachi, and Multan; while the Mills have taken only some 1,500 bales in all, of Oomra kinds and Broach; and 2,500 bales have been bought for shipment to Japan, chiefly Oomras, but including a little Mowa. This evening the market closed steady, there having been a better enquiry to-day for export, and prices have advanced Re. 1 to Rs. 2 per candy, all round. European shippers have taken 800 bales of Oomras and Bengal; and 400 of the former have been taken for Japan; but the Mills have been quite out of the market.

The Receipts of Cotton of the new crop into Bombay for the week ending to-day have been 52,500 bales, compared with 47,500 bales to hand in the week preceding, and 68,500 bales in the corresponding period last season; and the total arrivals of new Cotton this season compared with last, now show a falling off of 269,000 bales.

The following are to-day's quotations for full-pressed Cotton with the equivalents in sterling, cost, and freight to Liverpool via Canal, without Commission, viz.:—

Cotton—		Per candy	Per lb. C. & F.
Bengal, Fine	Feb.	Rs. 155—7-6	
Do. Fully Good	do	" 140—2 2-32d.	
Do Good	do	" 134—2 11-16d.	
Bolatee, Fine	Feb. & Mar.....	" 162—3 3-16d.	
Do. Fully Good	do	" 133—3 1-32d.	
Khandesh, Fully Good	do	" 155—3 1-16d.	
Oomra, Fully Good	do	" 177—3 11-32d.	
Dhollera, Fine	Mar. & Apl.	" 182—3 17-32d.	
Do. Fully Good	do	" 172—3 3-8d.	
Do. Good	do	" 165—3 1-4d.	
S G Dharwar Good	Apl & May.....	" 180—3 17-32d.	
Western	do	" 170—3 3-8d.	
Broach, Fine	Feb & Mar.....	" 198—3 21-32d.	

The arrivals of New Crop Cotton into Bombay, this season, as compared with last, are as follows:—

Receipts.	Season. 1896-97.	Season. 1895-96.
	F. P. Bales.	F. P. Bales.
Bengals	135,500	204,500
Berar	142,500	234,500
Khandeish	120,000	148,000
Barsi and Nuggur	13,500	38,000
Hingunghat	6,500	11,500
Persian and Sind	1,000	9,000
Broach	10,500	23,000
Dhollera	5,000	16,000
	451,500	720,500

The movements of Cotton to date show the following comparison with the previous two years:—

Receipts.	1897. Bales.	1896. Bales.	1895. Bales.
For the Week	51,249	60,122	41,327
From 1st Jan. to 4th Feb.	215,555	311,313	188,200
Clearances to Great Britain and Continent.			
For the Week	49,723	30,586	5,040
From 1st Jan. to 4th Feb.	75,166	122,803	15,237
Clearances to Calcutta, China, Japan, &c.			
For the Week	7,837	993	239
From 1st Jan. to 4th Feb.	52,617	5,293	7,936

WHEAT has been taken to a small extent by shippers, and many of the dealers and brokers having left Bombay, business in this market, as in others, is disorganized to a great extent and quotations unreliable, but nominally as undernoted:—

White Pessy, 91 per cent. Rs.	0 2 0	per cwt.
Do. 85 " "	0 1 0	"
No. 1 Club Delhi ..... "	0 4 0	"
Red Delhi ..... "	0 2 0	"
Hard Yellow ..... "	0 4 0	"
Red Ahmedabad ..... "	5 13 0	"
Hard Red ..... "	5 13 0	"

SEEDS are in the same position as Wheat, little fresh business having been reported, and the market quiet in tone, quotations being given as follows:—

Linseed	Rs. 5	5 0 per cwt.
Rapeseed Yellow Guzerat	" 7	12 0 "
Do. do. Cawnpore	" 7	6 0 "
Do. Red do.	" 6	13 0 "
Gingelly, White	" 45	0 0 per candy.
Do. Mixed	" 43	0 0 "

The comparative Imports of Wheat and Seeds are as follows:—

	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Wheat for the week	18,187	53,076	75,316
Do. from 1st January to 4th February	42,813	334,580	358,783
Linseed for the week	5,383	38,480	76,089
Do. from 1st January to 4th February	22,481	90,357	155,843
Rapeseed for the week ...	7,313	12,215	15,617
Do. from 1st January to 4th February	10,280	29,775	78,397
Gingellyseed for the week	23,341	102,664	66,700
Do. from 1st January to 4th February	66,383	294,052	320,239

The clearances of Wheat and Seeds to Great Britain and Continent are as follows:—

	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts
Wheat for the week	...	18,561	...
Do. from 1st January to 4th February	811	70,937	85,062
Linseed for the week	20,099	05,805	1,000
Do. from 1st January to 4th February	72,474	142,491	73,334
Rapeseed for the week ...	14,083	32,007	...
Do. from 1st January to 4th February	49,190	180,608	89,419
Gingellyseed for the week.	11,971	83,325	10,729
Do. from 1st January to 4th February	73,403	298,005	264,193

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

FEBRUARY 5.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.
CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.
AMERICA.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.
AUSTRALIA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect. Via Ganja.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect. Via Shanghai, interrupted.
AFRICA.—Via Aden, perfect. Via Cadiz-Teneriffe, perfect. Via Lisbon St. Vincent, perfect.
Line Saigon Bangkok interrupted.
Communication with Macao interrupted.
Shanghai route to China interrupted beyond the British frontier between Tingyuch and Tali.

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

Latest dates of foreign messages received at Bombay, from the United Kingdom, during the 24 hours ending, at 8 p.m., of the 5th February, 1897.

(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via.	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission. Hours.	Minutes.
Turkey	...	...	...	19	...
Teheran	5	1	45 p.m.	...	13
Suez	5	3	0 p.m.	...	8

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay, during the 24 hours ending, at 8 p.m., of the 5th February, 1897.

	Maximum Time. H.	M.	Minimum Time. H.	M.
From Calcutta	...	58	...	4
" Karachi	...	15	...	2
" Madras	...	30	...	1

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

(Open 1,496½ Miles.)

The following is the Statement of Traffic for week ending 30th January, 1897:—

	Coaching Traffic. Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic. Receipts.	Other Earnings (Estimated)	Total Earnings
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total ...	1,85,551	4,83,923	5,519	6,74,993
Corresponding week last year. Open 1,490½ Miles.	...	...	...	3,97,595
Decrease				2,22,598

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 22nd January, 1897, on 401 Miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (estimated.)	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total traffic for the week	1,05,000	1,58,000	4,000	2,74,000
Or per mile of Railway	262	395	8	684
For previous 2 weeks of half-year.	3,78,000	3,37,020	9,000	6,24,000
Total for 3 weeks ...	3,83,000	5,01,008	13,000	8,98,000
Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year	1,03,373	2,36,832	10,164	3,55,369
Per mile of Ry 4o.	225	514	22	771
Total to correspondg date do.	3,71,447	8,04,335	19,659	11,93,841
Decrease for the week				Rs. 81,369
Ditto to date				2,95,541

I. M. RAILWAY.

(Week ending 31st December 1896.)

Description.	1896.	1895.	Inc. for the week.	Dec. for the week.	Aggregate Inc.	Aggregate Dec.
Miles Open	752	752	...	...	...	...
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Passengers, Parcels, &c.	91,975	85,088	6,887	...	37,074	...
Goods	1,06,878	91,379	15,299	...	2,27,773	...
Other earnings	31,886	43,547	11,661	...	...	1,234
Total for week	1,65,767	1,32,920	32,847	...	...	...
Aggregate ...	25,97,258	22,73,644	...	...	3,23,612	...

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(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

INCREASE IN THE BRITISH ARMY.

THE GUARDS TO BE AVAILABLE FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN.

LONDON, FEB. 5.

In the House of Lords, last night, Lord Lansdowne announced that the Government intended to add two battalions to the Guards, one battalion to the Cameron Highlanders, another battalion to the Malta Artillery, and another to the West India Regiments.

It is also intended to increase the Garrison Artillery by 3,500 men, and to raise another Field Battery.

Three battalions of the Guards will be held available for service in the Mediterranean and one battalion will go to Gibraltar this year.

THE INCREASE IN THE ARMY.

The proposals of the Government, as announced by Lord Lansdowne, will cause an increase in the Army of 7,385 men, and an increase in the Army Estimates of £98,400.

OPINIONS OF THE "TIMES."

The *Times* says that nothing has been done to really reform our present defective military system or to remedy the great defects in our organisation.

FAMINE FUND MEETING AT NEWPORT.

The Princess Beatrice, yesterday, presided at a meeting at Newport in aid of the Indian Famine Fund.

The Duke of York was also present.

Her Royal Highness said that the whole Empire was watching with anxious sympathy the terrible sufferings of our fellow-subjects in India, and she urged every effort being made for their relief.

THE EDUCATION BILL.

The Education Bill has passed the First Reading in the House of Commons by a majority of 184 votes.

THE MAILS.

LONDON, FEB. 4.

The Bombay mails of the 23rd ultimo arrived at Brindisi, to-day.

THE BURMA RICE MARKET.

HEAVY STOCKS IN RANGOON.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, FEB. 5.

Enormous quantities of paddy are still arriving by boat and rail in Rangoon, but prices have declined, in consequence no doubt of the comparative failure of the Calcutta demand. The principal feature of the rice market is the small Calcutta demand with the heavy Bombay demand. To-day steamers are loading only three thousand tons for Calcutta or less than is loading for the Straits, while twelve thousand tons are loading for Bombay. Up to date the Indian ports have taken this year fifty thousand tons as against less than three thousand on the same date last year. Europe shows an increase, the Straits a falling off, and Upper Burmah a slight falling off as compared with the same period last year.

THE PESTILENCE IN POONA.

POONA, FEB. 5.

Major O'Sullivan, Assistant Adjutant-General, Poona District, inspected the city of Poona, and made a report to the Government about the filthy state of the city. He apprehends bad results if prompt measures are not adopted. The City Municipality are taking no active steps to remove or to segregate the healthy people, and to disinfect houses where bubonic cases have occurred. They are making the same mistake for which Bombay is now paying by heavy mortality. The Government must intervene, and appoint European agency to cleanse the city and to adopt strict measures for segregation and the disinfecting of houses.

Lord Sandhurst is coming to Poona on Monday morning to see the arrangements made regarding the plague.

The new Hospital sheds were taken into use to-day. Twenty-two patients have been accommodated, eighteen from the Sassoon Hospital, and four from the city.

There were nine local and five imported cases and twelve deaths to-day.

The total number of local cases up to date is 135; of which 130 died.

The Cantonment Executive have provided segregation tents and a couple of huts, but up to now there is nothing in the cantonment yet.

BOMBAY COMMAND ORDERS.

Military Works Department—Under instructions from the Army Head-quarters in India, Lieutenant Knox, Royal Engineers, is transferred from Bombay to the Bengal Command, Military Works.

Lieutenant Griffith, Royal Engineers, on return from leave from England, is temporarily posted to Bombay Division, Military Works.

Lieutenant Griffith, Royal Engineers, is transferred from Bombay to the Aden Division, Military Works.

Army Medical Staff—The undermentioned officers on arrival from England, are posted as follows:—Surgeon-Major Stevenson to Bombay District Surgeon-Lieutent Kiddle, Poona District; and Surgeon-Lieutenand Staddon to Bombay District.

Surgeon-Major Wyatt is transferredfrom Bombay District to Aden Distric.

The transfer of Surgeon-Lieutenant-Col. Charlesworth notified in Bombay Command Order No. 5, dated 8th January, 1897, is cancelled.

Under instructions received from the War Office, it is notified that Second Lieut. Jacob, 35th Field Battery, is transferred to No. 9 Company, Eastern Division, Royal Artillery.

Second Lieutenant Barton is transferred from No. 9 Company Eastern Division to 35th Field Battery Royal Artillery.

The undermentioned officers are granted leave to proceed out of India, on private affairs, under the leave rules for the Staff Corps, the specified period to count from the date of being struck off duty.

Lieutenant Wooldridge, Staff Corps Wing Officer and Adjutant, 24th Bombay Infantry, for one year (pension service ninth year commenced 19th March, 1896).

Lieutenant Eastward, Staff Corps Wing Officer, 30th Bombay Infantry, for one year (pension service sixth year commenced 11th March 1896).

The undermentioned officer is granted leave to proceed out of India, on medical certificate, under the leave rules for the Staff Corps, the leave to have effect in India from the date of being struck off duty till the date of sailing, the specified period to count from date of leaving India:—Lieutenant Lock, Staff Corps, Wing Officer, 2nd Bombay Grenadiers, for one year (pension service eleventh year commences 25th August 1896.)

THE FAMINE FUND.

MEETING AT WADHWAN.

(FROM CORRESPONDENTS.)

WADHWAN, FEB. 4.

At the invitation of the leading Shethias his Highness the Thakore Saheb presided to-day, at a numerously attended meeting, in Wadhwan city, to collect funds in aid of the Presidency Famine Fund. A sum of three-thousand rupees was subscribed on the spot. His Highness and family subscribed fifteen hundred rupees. An influential committee was appointed.

NEW ENGLISH SCHOOL AT SANGAMNER.

SANGAMNER, FEB. 4.

The ceremony of laying the foundation-stone of Sir Dinshaw Manockji Petit's English School was performed at the hands of Mr. F. L. Charles, at 4 p.m. A special mandap was erected, and was occupied by the popular Collector and the leading men of the town. The ceremony terminated with cheerful thanks for his eloquent speech.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

SUEZ, FEB. 4.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Ross, from Calcutta, Madras, and Colombo, arrived here this afternoon.

PORTSAID, FEB. 4.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Golconda left here this morning.

The Messageries Mari—times Co.'s steamer Earnest Simons left Aden for Bombay, yesterday, at 11 a.m., and she is expected here on Wednesday, 10th instant, at 3 p.m.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, FEB. 4.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed steady. Surats steady.

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The Manchester Market has been quiet but steady.

2½ per cent. Consols	113 5-16
2½ per cent. Rentes	103
4½ per cent. Sterling Loan	118½
4½ per cent. Rupee Paper	62 7-8
Bar Silver	29½

The sum of about £75,000 has been withdrawn from the Bank of England for South America.

The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday, show the following results:—Total Bullion, £37,300,000; Increase, £200,000; Public Deposits, £10,766,000; Increase, £1,100,000; Other Deposits, £45,000,000; Increase, £300,000; Other Securities, £28,900,000; Increase £400,000; Notes and Gold, £38,300,800; Decrease, £100,000. The Bank's Reserve is 52 per cent. of the Liabilities.

NOTES FROM LONDON.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JAN. 15.

Madame Olga Novikoff has been vindicating the action of Russia in offering sympathy and aid to the Indian sufferers from famine. She deprecates the suspicion that Russia is actuated by unworthy motives, and reminds us of the generous demonstration on the part of England during the Russian famine of 1891-92. The present offer of help from the Czar's dominions may surely, she thinks, be taken as a response to that spontaneous help. In Russia at that time the Minister of the Interior, Mr. Durnovo, did not at first realise the danger of famine, and tried to minimise it, but though private committees for relief were formed, the Russians were at first unwilling to accept help when offered it from abroad. Madame Novikoff tells how her reluctance was conquered by the first donation which was sent anonymously with the words "Christian love towards all who suffer." She acknowledged this help in one of the daily papers saying that it should be sent to her son and his Committee in the Government of Tamboff. Contributions poured in immediately from all sorts and conditions in great and small sums; one old soldier sent 3s. 2½d. He had been wounded and taken prisoner in the Crimean war and had received much kindness from the Russians during his captivity, and sent now all he could afford to prove his gratitude. The sums voluntarily sent to Madame Novikoff amounted to £2,000, and represented much generous sympathy which was gratefully received by those struggling against the famine in Russia. The Society of Friends worked on a large scale to relieve the distressed and starving, and their assistance was accepted in the spirit in which it was offered. Then she argues why not realise without any unworthy suspicion that Russia simply acts from a desire to be humane and kindly in offering aid to the famine-stricken people of India. She describes the method adopted by her son and his Committee in Tamboff. "No money was given to the famished: no bread was given to the hungry. But bakeries were established where excellent bread was sold, the cheapness of which increased in proportion to the general use of the market prices. The collected money covered the difference and paralysed the greed of the corn-dealers." The Committee was able with much generous support from influential Russians, as well as from others to help about 7100,000 people How did the Committee buy the grain without satisfying the greed of the corn-dealers? Though the poor people relieved by the low-priced bread did not directly enrich them, the Committee did, and though it is not right nor necessary to deprive dealers of their fair earnings, it must in the end lessen the relieving power of the funds of any Famine Committee when it has to pay exorbitant rates for food-stuffs. Perhaps in autocratic Russia corn can be acquired at State prices by Committees when famine prevails. Up to now the amount of money subscribed for Indian distress has not amounted to a very large sum. It is hard no doubt to have so good intentions resented, and a nation would need to be endowed with a very robust charity to remain indifferent to rebuffs.

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I have often wished to be Private Secretary to a great man, or indeed to a moderately important personage. But the experience of a friend of mine in that capacity has somewhat diminished my ardour. She was offered such a post, and accepted it gleefully, though she was informed that several secretaries had been cast as deficient in qualifications for the post, and that the attempt was now to be made to fill the vacancy with a lady secretary. My friend found that tact, patience, alacrity, and alertness were all needed in a very high degree. The public man whose annunensis she was to be, had many high qualities, but the power of directing his secretary was not one of them. She had, as a matter of course, to read and classify his correspondence, setting aside all private letters so marked. The business letters were annotated and left on his table for instruction. There they remained unread, until the secretary asked for orders. This itself being an irritating demand was not made oftener than could possibly be helped. Eventually my friend found she had to use diplomacy to get any work done. As for the private letters, she doubts if any but the first three on the top every day were read. However, the world is ruled by two sorts of man: he who answers correspondents and he who lets them answer themselves. The secretary is underworked, a little overworried, and a little unhappy at her inability to put the satisfactory superscription "answered such and such a date" on the letters. Some great men owe their greatness to the versatility, readiness and tact of their secretaries, but I fancy one must have some seed of greatness in oneself. One cannot quite rise to eminence vicariously.

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The cult of Browning will receive much encouragement from Messrs. Smith, Elder and Co.'s single volume edition of that poet's works. The book is beautifully got up and printed on India paper, and of such a size that it can be carried in an overcoat pocket. It is hardly the sort of study for a railway journey, except for the determined votary, who can, no matter how jolted and hurried, follow the thread and enjoy the rhyme of the versatile author of "The Ring and the Book." The enormous bulk of the seventeen-volume edition of Browning prevented many an ardent reader from carrying it with him when going on a holiday when leisure and surroundings would have probably enabled him to see all the beauties of his favorite poet in new and pleasing lights. Browning needs leisure. No hurried, fidgetty, train-catching being can have the quality of brain, natural or acquired, to thread his maze and chase the muse of poetic thought through it, intricacies. Yet the student of Browning must be alert, ready for any sudden diversion from the main idea, and must be equally ready to return from the unexpected excursion to the subject again. One of his prettiest and simplest poems is, I think, "The Flower's Name." Lovers of Browning may think it beneath his reputation, but lovers of poetry have ever admired its delicacy.

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I shall be glad if anyone would give me, say in half a column, a clear definition of Raja Yoga. Lady Malcolm has made a will that will render her famous by which he bequeathes her secretary estate to establish a college for the study of Raja Yoga. A choice of locality is given in which to found the college, and the school for the revival of the Lost Mysteries of Antiquity has charge of the foundation. Books and pamphlets on Raja Yoga are common enough, but not one of them define sufficiently for the stay-at-home British mind what it really is. You find yourself in a kind of fog after reading up the subject. You know it is something very ethereal, quite supernatural, but what is it? Its pursuit requires almost all the virtues except those that specially adorn an active life, but how are you to know when you have attained it? It seems to mean the very highest stage of the contemplative life, and somejbooks indicate that this life must be spent, to be effective, on the highest peaks of thereabouts of the Himalayan range. Lady Malcolm,however mentioned Scotland, Switzerland, Italy, North America or Canada, as suitable sites for the college she desired to endow, so that the initial stages of the study at all events demand no great elevation.

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To descend to earthly matters and the commands of fashion which our rigorous climate imposes on us, we will contemplate one or two tea-gowns which are a triumph in their own way of airy draperies. Nothing is so fascinating as the five o'clock tea hour. When sleet or snow, winds, rain or hail and darkness render a further stay out-of-doors impossible, that is the time to lounge in soft chairs with cosy surroundings, the tea-tray close at hand, the bright cheery copper kettle steaming away on its hook over the handy little lamp. The lady of the boudoir slips betimes into a tea gown and presides with all the grace, that doing the very exact thing you want to do endows most mortals with. I saw such a one the other day in a soft pale blue Indian cashmere garment, embroidered finely in every possible combination of gentle colours, the devices covering a trailing border and beautiful, neck and sleeves and cascaded front being filled in with delicate honiton lace, not too closely gathered, so that the design, told against the blue of the cashmere. The tea room was a dream in pale coral pink and white with the sheen of tiny gold lines here and there, to reflect the light of the shaded lamps. Another teagown of very creamy soft coarse-grained white silk, embroidered with a fascinating scroll pattern in dull gold was almost too lovely for anything. That had a high collar, also embroidered and had very little lace, but of a texture like old point. It looked almost too regal for a tea-gown. But the wearer could not possibly have descended to any lower style with success, so her dressmaker had struck the right chord. Still another was what is now called serpent green with any amount of thin black embroidered chiffon trimming it. It was cut square but not low at the neck, and edged with a quaint green and black silk braid from which the chiffon trimmings fell over each shoulder. The wearer had that lovely red gold hair which is so seldom seen, not golden red, but reddish gold, with dark eyebrows, and the green of the gown intensified the glory of her hair.

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One of the hardest critiques that has appeared of the dramatised version of "The Sorrows of Satan" and of Marie Corelli is that which says after many other rather severe things, that if "Mavis Clare" were dropped altogether she would not be missed. It is true that even in the novel she is a very inefficient foil to the extravagant wickedness of the chief characters. Brought on the stage it is still more difficult to place her in proper relief and make her interesting as well. The lightning and thunder and general wickedness of the sorrowful fiend would require a perfect angel of light to relieve it and angels of light labour under difficulties of acting on the modern stage. Still the public were delighted with the play, and fully appreciated the picturesque displays that it offers. Mr. Lewis Waller does Prince Rameses remarkably well, but then it is so nice to be wicked even off the stage, it can't be much of a strain on.

TABLE TALK.

(BY WALTER BESANT.)

LONDON, JAN. 15.

I was writing the other day a little chapter of autobiography—be not alarmed, gentle reader, it was not for you; my book of reminiscences is not yet even begun. This chapter was for a special purpose. In the course of the work I struck upon a vein of memory which had been forgotten or neglected for many a long year. Now, every vein of memory is like a run of pure gold as soon as it is reached, and so this vein, as soon as I struck it, proved clear and bright. I see once more a square building of gloomy appearance; within it is furnished with long tables and wooden benches. So far as my memory goes, there is nothing more. Upstairs there are beds in rows as in a hospital. In fact, the place is a barrack, inhabited, not by our soldiers, but by foreign soldiers—rebels—exiles—whom Great Britain has received, and now maintains and fosters. In aword, they are Poles; they are the survivors of the desperate rebellion of 1830. This country could not interfere; she could not land an army of a quarter of a million, and nothing less would serve; nor could her fleet do anything. She therefore sat still, and extended her sympathies when all was over, and the refugees had made their way across a hostile Germany, and got over, somehow, to this refuge of rebels and patriots. Then Great Britain welcomed them. "Come," she said, "I could not fight for you, but I will keep you." She did; she gave them a barrack and a pension of twopence a day. I remember some of those survivors perfectly well. That was "then." Must the same situation be repeated now. We cannot fight for Armenia, yet I would that we had gone nobly into a war which would have raised the national spirit and lifted us out of the clinging to prosperity, which will make cowards of us all if it goes on too long. I say we could not go to war with the accursed murderer, but could we not remember what we once did to the Pole, and extend a similar welcome to the Armenians?

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If I were to write that book of Reminiscences, it would be on a plan hitherto unattempted. I should not note the great men at whose tables I have sat; nor the ways and manners of poets whom I have known. Not at all. It should commemorate the men and women I have met who were remarkable for this or for that, but were not known by the world. I think that I could make a most interesting volume out of this material. It is a great mistake to suppose that poets and literary people generally are more interesting than people who never wrote a line. I think I must really write that book of Reminiscences, if it is only to celebrate the remarkableness of the Obscure. They are often much more witty than the professional Wits, they do individual things, whereas the Wits, never do anything; that is the weak point about the Literary Life, that it does nothing except write and talk. The Obscure Ones are never self conscious, which is a failing with your Great Ones; they put on no "side;" they do nothing for effect; and they look not for any kind of praise.

We were talking about an aristocracy, and especially about our own, as to whether it is likely to decay and to be abolished. His opinion—you have met my friend before—is that it is not decaying, but is increasing in public estimation, and therefore in power and influence. "Do you," he asked, "ever find a man refusing a peerage? On the contrary, if he is a man of science, all the other men of science unite in congratulating the recipient, and science itself as well, upon a great honour. It is true that the landed people have lost half their incomes but not half their influence. The tendency of an aristocracy is always to make itself a caste apart, as if they were superior beings. Thus, at the present time their boys all go to two schools; they all go to one college; the younger sons, and their sons after them, though they are obliged to remain commoners, do so under protest; they would belong, if they could, to a caste apart. Will the people continue to submit to a privileged class? They certsioly will; they like leaders, and they would rather be led by one born to the place than by one who has clambered up. At the same time, everybody can see peerages bestowed every year upon men who have made their own way to the front. It is therefore an aristocracy in which the people have a share, which is constantly recruited from the people and constantly sending its younger sons down among the people. There is no other aristocracy in the world like it. Its privileges are not oppressive; they are not even known to the people; its power is exerted only in the House of Lords; and that House always gives way to the other House. There is a good deal of nonsense talked about the British aristocracy, but the truth is that the party which wants to see its downfall is very small, and outside that party there is no feeling at all against Peers. Rather their weak point is their apathy as regards Culture, and especially Literature. Perhaps it is not really a weak point. Perhaps they desire to keep before the world the fact that it is after all a greater thing to administrate than to talk about administration. It is not more than a hundred years since a man of letters wrote of them: "No man of letters is acceptable to the Great; they look on him as a kind of satire on their actions and feeling within their own Vacuity, are by no means pleased at finding in another what they want themselves." Not that they do feel any vacuity. On the contrary, their minds are generally full; they administrate; they are presidents, chairmen, patrons of everything; they experiment in agriculture; they are magistrates; they preside over hospitals; they lead busy, peaceful, important lives; and I really believe that their common neglect or contempt of letters is due to their theory of action before talking."

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A question on kissing. At the end of the seventeenth century it was customary for a man, on being introduced to a lady, to kiss her. In the dramas of the time, the men are continually kissing the ladies on meeting them. When a man is introduced by his wife to a young lady, he is ordered to salute her, and immediately obeys by kissing her. When a lady is married, all the gentlemen present kiss the bride. I should like to know when this custom went out of fashion. Soon after that time I imagine, because it was already considered unfashionable for men to kiss each other. Yet in Wycherley's "Plain Dealer" one of the men kisses another. And in 1667, when Pepys had made a successful speech, Mr. Montagu kissed him by way of congratulation. So far as I remember, in the last century a gentleman, on entering a room, bowed to all the ladies, either separately or with one comprehensive bow, and then took his place. Perhaps someone can refer me to any passage that bears on the subject.

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I have before me the annual report of the Women's Industrial Council. The first essential, if the council is to do any good, is to pour light upon anything—hours of work—kind of work—pay—effect of work on health—everything. This council is working on right lines, but will miserably insufficient means. It has, for instance, secured certain valuable results, but they are just set down casually in a manner which prevents the publication from being in the least effective towards improvement. Thus the long hours demanded of nurses is briefly noted—in the county asylums the nurses work an average of twelve hours a day. It is most monstrous that this cruelty should be possible. Observe, however, what always happens when workers are helpless. Now it is not enough to note this kind of tyranny; steps, energetic steps must be taken to amend it, and to make it impossible for the future. There is, again the system of fines and punishments in shops. Thus a story is told of a girl who after twelve long hours of work sat down for a few minutes; was found sitting down and was summarily dismissed. Now the way in which such a case should be met is by public exposure. Light—Light—and still more Light is wanted in everything connected with women's work.

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I have been reading yet another paper on the Divorce question. Again, dear reader, do not be alarmed. I have no views on the subject. This is only a side light. I observe in all these papers that a great deal is made of the "slavery" of the wife. If reference is made to the wife as housekeeper, she is called a "slave." Now let us put the facts before us. If the wife is an heiress, she can afford to keep a housekeeper. If the husband is rich, he can afford to pay for housekeeper. But, in the middle class, to which most of us do really belong, whatever our pretences, the wife is not an heiress; she has no dot at all; it is considered a great deal if her father gives her on her marriage a thousand pounds. Further though her father may be willing to allow his daughter to live at home he will not be able to leave her enough to live upon when he dies. An insurance of say £2000 and as much more saved is a fair average fortune to leave. Practically therefore all middle class girls recognise the necessity of work. Marriage offers them a kind of work that to most girls is pleasing, and far more to their choice than any of the ordinary methods of making a livelihood. Ask the first girl you meet whether she would rather marry and become the British matron, the "head-giver," the administrator of her husband's fortune? or whether she would rather become a post-office clerk, a journalist, a type-writer. You know perfectly well—you who talk so glibly about the wife being a slave—what her answer will be. Well, but if you like to speak of this necessity as slavery, you can; I do not. Only remember that the poor, prosaic husband is a slave as well. He goeth forth to his slavery every morning—dull, unfeeling creature!—with an inane smile upon his lips. He has none of the finer feelings, you see. To me, however, it seems ignorant, foolish, and mischievous to call the wife British matron a slave. But then, I am a Philistine. Why, I actually, slave as I am, sit down, every morning without any resentment or repining to my slavery. I am bound in fetters and in chains adamantine. I must work, else who will pay the baker and the grocer? I must work, and so besotted am I that I really work as if I enjoyed it. Fair sister slave, when I have finished this job and got the money I will try to weep with thee over our joint sorrows. Let us, meanwhile, shake one chains; they are not unmusical, are they? To me they are like a peal of harmonious bells. Yet my heart bleeds—or would if it had time—for thy sufferings undetected. Poor slave! To order the dinner—what degradation! The husband—he has no pity, he cannot understand; he went off at nine this morning; he will come home at seven; he will work at his papers from 9 till 12 at night. Oh! he has no pity: he cannot understand. Insensate wretch!

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I have known a great number of people during a life that has not been tied down to one place nor confined to one set. On the marriage question I am perfectly certain from my own experience, that in the majority of cases, the marriage life is happy—as we call happiness. As for married people becoming one in mind, that kind of union can only belong to the "higher kind of intellect, which is, indeed rare. And in those elevated levels of the higher intellect unhappiness is sometimes caused by the unpractical yearning of one of the two for the impossible—an ideal that cannot be reached. The union of hearts, however, is very far from uncommon; I mean that kind of union in which there is mutual trust and respect between man and wife, with a graceful allowance for little foibles and with a common affection (not only for each other, but for the children. This is the kind of union which really makes marriage happy; and one does not want the "higher" nature—which is too often a selfish and exacting nature self-styled "higher."—but is found among quite ordinary folk. The union of hearts, however, is very seldom found where the wife is a "superior" person, whose intellect soars above the common things of earth, and, like Peter, calls them all unclean.

THE STRAND COMEDY COMPANY.

This company has been playing to crowded houses in Karachi for a short but very successful season. Karachi society rather prides itself on being hard to please, ergo, to win its applause argues well for any company. The best, or perhaps it would be more correct to say the most popular, piece put on the boards was the "Private Secretary." In it the whole strength of the company appears, and the acting throughout is both spirited and good. One or two of the company are old acquaintances. Miss Donnelli when a member of the Stanley Company won for herself golden encomiums in Bombay as well as in Karachi. Mr. Fawcett, too, is an old friend. In Messrs. Hamilton, Hanray, and Newton, Bombay will have able artistes. Mrs. Hamilton is as pretty in her appearance as she is in her acting. Miss Nell Gann's songs and dances will prove very attractive, and Miss Madge Abercrombie's spirited representation of whatever part she takes in any play is bound to win her favour. Mr. Rose won popularity alike by his acting and singing. Mr. Hamilton is quite *au fait* as a stage manager; he puts his pieces on the boards well-dressed and staged, and seems able to make the best out of the poor scenery for which Indian theatres have an unenviable reputation. The company commence a season of seven nights, at the Tivoli Theatre, this evening. The opening programme will consist of an entirely new farcical comedy, in three acts, entitled "My Artful Valet," which is having a very successful run in London. The comedy was purchased by Mr. Douglas Hamilton and rehearsed in London before leaving.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

The P. and O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Peninsular, Captain W. A. Wheeler, will sail, to-day, for London and Marseilles, with English mail, and she has the following passengers:—

FOR LONDON.

Auston, Mr E B
Butler, Miss
Bowack, Mr A C
Bowen, Mrs and 2 infants
Bowen, Mr I C G
Burgess, Mr Miss
Clark, Mrs, and child
Coates, Mr and Mrs H O
Daly, Miss
Dimsdale, Mrs and infants
Elliot, Mr and Mrs T R B
Fearnside, Mr and 2 infants
Fell, Miss
Fulton, Rev and Mrs and child and infant
Gillespie, Rev R and son
Hall, Major
Heenan, Mrs and child
Henderson, Mrs and child
Hamilton, Mrs 4 child and infant
Hand, Mrs Hand
Johnstone, Miss
Johnstone, Mr and Mrs D C and child
Lake, Lieut H A
Lowndes, Mrs
Moredith, Mr
Pitman, Mr P R
Plummer, Mr
Porter, Mr J
Pickett, Rev W J and 3 children and infant
Pendlebury, Mr and Mrs T
Preston, Mr T S
Patterson, Mr S
Quin, Mrs
Remmington, Mrs G K child 2 infants
Ronaldson, Capt R
Smith, Dr and Mrs
Smith, Miss
Smith, Mr J
Soper, Rev and Mrs W and child and 2 infants
Spencer, Miss B
Spencer, Miss
Scanoll, Mr and Mrs
Tattersall, Mrs
Thomas, Mrs and 2 children
Trevelyan, Mrs
Trevelyan, Miss
Whitcombe, Miss
Whitcombe, Mr C P
Wilkonsekey, Mr and Mrs, son and child
Whitburn, Mr H R

FOR BRINDISI.

Brown, Mrs
Hughes, Surg-Major Genl and Mrs
Harrison, Mr and Mrs C B
Urwin, Mr
Morgan, Mrs and Miss

FOR MARSEILLES.

Adams, Lt
Attwood, Mrs
Barrett, Mr G E M
Bowen, Mrs
Caine, Mr W S
Chase, Mr and Mrs
Forbes, Mrs C H B
Forster, Lt R K
Gibson, Mr
Harper, Mr J B
Hart, Mr
Harmsworth, Mr and Mrs A
Howard, Mr and Secretary
Knight, Mr and Mrs A R
Jones, Miss O
Llewellin, Mrs G W
Meade, Lt-Col and Mrs J de C
Manasseh, Mr
Nicholson, Mr
Preston, Mr
Polf, Mr and Mrs F S
Peters, Mr T M
Rice, Major R A C
Wordsworth, Mrs and child

ARRIVAL OF TROOPS FROM ENGLAND.

The Indian Troop Service Transport Britannia, Captain Lamée L. Fardis, arrived in harbour yesterday morning from Southampton, which port she left on the 13th January. The Britannia called at Gibraltar on the 17th, Malta on the 21st, Alexandria on the 24th, Port Said on the 26th, and Suez on the 29th ultimo. She conveyed the 2nd Dorsetshire Regiment from Southampton and Gibraltar to Malta; 1st Royal Warwickshire from Malta to Alexandria, and has brought to Bombay drafts of different regiments from home, and 2nd Connaught Rangers from Suez, consisting of 72 officers, 22 ladies, 14 children, 7 warrant officers 2 women, and 5 children, 1,177 men rank-and-file, 24 women, and 29 children. All the troops were landed at the Sassoon Dock. The first train left Sassoon Dock at 0-5 p.m., last evening, for Deolali, with 14 officers, 4 warrant officers, 450 men, 19 women, and 34 children of the 92nd Battalion. Connaught Rangers, and all families proceeding via Deolali, and is timed to arrive at Deolali at 5-15 a. m. this morning. The Second train to Deolali left Sassoon Dock at 0-40 p.m., with 8 officers and 314 men, of the 2nd Battalion Connaught Rangers, and is expected to arrive at 6-15 a.m.to-day. The following is the list of officers:—

FROM SOUTHAMPTON TO BOMBAY.

Lieut-Col and Mrs A Heathcote, R R
Lieut-Col G W Croswell, R R
Major and Mrs F W F Attree, R E
Major P R Baldwin, R E
Lieut D. C. M. Maclean, 2nd R Scots
2nd-Lieut J H Mackenzie, 2nd R Scots
Lieut F D Finlay, 2nd Suffolk Regt
Lieut C A E Bulwer, Northampton Regt
Lieut. (W) Kent, Northampton Regt
Capt W F Corbett, 2nd York Stafford
Lieut E C P Bridges, 2nd York Stafford
Lieut-Col R Hill-Bart, 1st R I Fusiliers
Brig-Surg Lt-Col R Harmar, M Staff
Surg-Major and Mrs H M Hoggot, A M Staff
Surg-Lieut and Mrs J Walker, A M Staff
Surg-Major G Y Trowmar, A M Staff
Surg-Major G H Younge A M Staff
Surg-Major J Stevenson, A M Staff
Surg-Lieut L P Tomlieson, A M Staff
Surg-Lieut P Evans, A M Staff
Surg-Lieut S T C P Pirry, A M Staff
Surg-Lieut H E Staddon, A M Staff
Surg-Lieut F Kiddle, A M Staff
Major and Mrs H C Higgs daughter and child, 16th Lancers
Capt and Mrs J Horton Bennett, Ord Dept
Capt F W Low, 5th Hussars
Capt and Mrs G H Clay and child, I S Corps
Capt H W G Graham, 5th Lancers
Capt and Qr-Mr Norris, 2nd Suffolk Regt
Lieut C E M Maynard, 1st Dervon
Lieut J G Smellwood, R A
Lieut G C Holbat, 1st R Fusiliers
2nd-Lieut F G Jones, 2nd Derby
Vity Lieut R S Holmes, A V Dept
Capt P R Robertson, 1st Scot Rifles
Capt and Mrs J C Colesworth 2nd Yorkshire
Lieut B E Mowbray, 2nd H L I
Lieut and Mrs H P Westmacott and child, 2nd L I
Lieut and Mrs J W H Forkath and 2 children, I S Corps
Lieut R C Moloworth, I S Corps
Lieut and Mrs C J Windham and child, I S Corps
Lieut and Mrs G C Komp, I S Corps
Lieut and Mrs James, I S Corps
Lieut A J Badcott, I S Corps
Capt and Mrs G H C Colomb and child, I S Corps
Capt C H Erskine, I S Corps
Surg-Capt C A Johnson, I M S
Lieut E J Orton, 2nd R. Dub Fus
Revd T J Garnier Acting, C E Chaplain
Revd H McCarson, Acting R C Chaplain
Wife and child of Lieut-Col Brooks, 2nd Con Rangers
Miss N H M Ramsay, I N Service
Wife and child of Capt T Murray, 2nd Con Rangger.
Wife of Lieut C Watson, R E
Wife of Capt T Bagnall, 1st E Yorks Regt

FROM SUEZ TO BOMBAY.

Col E S Brook, 2nd Con Rangers
Major and Mrs J J Hume and 3 children, 2nd Con Rangers
Capt A W Boulby, 2nd Con Rangers
Capt A G V Chichester, 2nd Con Rangers
Capt. S L Hobbs, 2nd Con Rangers
Capt. S J Murray, 2nd Con Rangers
Lieut J W Lawson, 2nd Con Rangers
Lieut W A Hamilton, 2nd Con Rangers
Lieut H R G Deacon, 2nd Con Rangers
Lieut R R Challenor, 2nd Con Rangers
Lieut J W Byrne, 2nd Con Rangers
Lieut O D Blunt, 2nd Con Rangers
2nd-Lieut C H Mosham, 2nd Con Rangers
2nd-Lieut R W Harlings 2nd Rangers
2nd Lieut H W Gough, 2nd Con Rangers
2nd-Lieut H M Hutchinson, 2nd Rangers
Lieut A Wise, 2nd-Con Rangers
Lieut L Krough, 2nd Con Rangers
Lieut E Yeldham, 2nd Con Rangers
Lieut and Adjt H A Thompson, 2nd Con Rangers
Lieut and Qr-Mr T McCleiland, 2nd Con Rangers
Lieut Chevne, 16th Bengal Cavalry

BOMBAY FIFTH EXTRA MEETING.

SATURDAY, 6TH FEBRUARY.

Order of running and time.

1ST RACE.—"The Gymkhana Cup," at 3-30 p.m.
2ND RACE.—"The Febuary Stakes," at 3-55 p.m.
3RD RACE.—"The Paddock Stakes," at 4-20 p.m.
4TH RACE.—"The Cesarwitch Stakes," at 4-45 p.m.
5TH RACE.—"The Dwarf Stakes," at 5-10 p.m.
6TH RACE.—"The Selling Race," at 5-35 p.m.

TOM LAMBSBURIER, Hony Secy, W I T C.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

THURSDAY NIGHT.—FEBRUARY 4.

10 p.m.	78.5

FRIDAY.—FEBRUARY 5.

6 a.m.	70.0
10 a.m.	74.1
2 p.m.	77.0
4 p.m.	77.0

THE HON. MR. JUSTICE JARDINE.

Deep and general regret is felt in the legal profession and among all classes of the community at the news of the resignation of his appointment on the Bench of the Bombay High Court by the Hon. Mr. Justice Jardine. The learned judge has been thirty-three years in the Civil Service in this presidency, and the length of his service on the Bench has already entitled him to a pension as a judge of the High Court. On Wednesday last, he sent in his resignation as a Judge of the High Court and as Vice-Chancellor of the Bombay University, and he leaves Bombay by to-day's mail steamer.

A contemporary of the Hon'ble Mr. J. Nugent and Mr. S. Tagore, Mr. Jardine joined the service in October 1864, and worked as Assistant Collector and Magistrate of Thana, Ahmednagar, Dharwar, and Canara. In three years more, he rose to the office of Assistant Judge and Sessions Judge at Sattara, and Assistant Agent for Sirdars in the Deccan. In June 1869, he was appointed to officiate as Under-Secretary to Government in the Political, Judicial, and Educational Departments, and as Secretary to the Legislative Council of Bombay. In May 1871, Mr. Jardine was transferred to Kathiawar to act as First Political Assistant, and held charge of the Kathiawar Agency; and about a year later, officiated as Judicial and Political Assistant of Navanagar and Dhrol States, in which office he was confirmed in June 1873. In October of that year, he was appointed to act as Registrar of the High Court, Appellate Side; and from February to May 1875, came into prominent notice as Secretary to the Baroda Commission appointed for the trial of His Highness Mulhar Rao Gaikwar for attempting to poison Colonel (afterwards Sir Robert) Phayre the Resident at Baroda. The trial produced a great sensation throughout the country. The Commission was presided over by Sir Richard Couch, a former Chief Justice of Bombay, who had then retired on pension, and the prosecution on behalf of the Bombay Government was conducted by Sir Andrew Scoble, the Advocate-General at the time, while the accused was defended by Mr. Sarjeant Ballantine, of the English Bar, who came out to Baroda for a special fee of two lakhs of rupees. Mr. Jardine's services as secretary to the Commission proved of great value in drawing up the report for which he received the special acknowledgements of the authorities. As a result of the labours of the Commission, Mulhar Rao Gaikwar was quietly conveyed as a prisoner by rail from Baroda to Madras. On the termination of his week as secretary to the Commission, Mr. Jardine resumed charge of the office of Registrar on the Appellate Side of the High Court in May 1875, and acted subsequently as Judge and Sessions Judge at Ratnagiri, Thana, and Khandeish. In March 1877 he was deputed to Calcutta as Secretary to the Delegates of the Government of India in the matter of the negotiations for a commercial treaty with Portugal. His services were again highly appreciated as in the case of the Baroda Commission, and in the following month, he was appointed to act as Deputy Secretary to the Government of India in the Legislative Department. He resigned the appointment of Secretary to the Delegates after the conclusion of the negotiations in September 1877, and having for a time gone back to Kathiawar to work in the capacity of Judicial Assistant to the Political Agent there, he officiated in November 1877 as Secretary to Government in the Political, Judicial, Educational, Secret, and Persian Departments. By that time Mr. Jardine had established a high reputation as an able judicial officer, and as a result, he was in February, 1878, appointed Judicial Comm

the Jail isolation shed, whose he died on Thursday afternoon. A verdict of death from the disease was recorded.

THE HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

Nine more cases have occurred within the last two days at the House of Correction. Five of the patients had been inoculated; of these, three have died. It is, of course, possible that these men had become infected before inoculation; the continued presence of some source of infection being shown by the seizure of four of the prisoners who were not inoculated.

CASE AT THE MAHALUXMI BATTERY.

Five gunners are stationed at the Mahaluxmi Battery. One of them having become affected by the prevailing disease, the patient was removed for treatment to an isolated ward in the Colaba, Military Hospital for treatment, while the other four are segregated in a place apart in Upper Colaba and will remain under observation for ten days.

WORLI AND SEWRI.

Two hundred of the inhabitants of the fishing village at Worli, accompanied by a few people from the village of Sewri, some three weeks ago, set out on a pilgrimage to Karli, where their duty claims a yearly worship. They took the sails and spars of their boats with them to make mandaps in which to live while going through their puja duties. Being heavily laden and travelling on foot, they were nine days on the road. After their arrival at Karli, seven cases of plague occurred amongst them, of which five proved fatal. Whether any cases occurred amongst them while on the road, we are unable to say, but the fact ought to be ascertainable. The later cases were of a milder type, and the disease ceased, no cases having taken place in the eight days ending on Sunday last. The population of Worli in ordinary times is 3,500; but is now reduced to about 150. Four hundred are encamped at a little distance. The rest have migrated to Karli and elsewhere.

The village of Sewri had six hundred inhabitants. Of these fifty died from the pestilence. Two hundred migrated. The Municipal employes under Mr. James took the village in hand, burnt cutchra, rags, and rubbish, removed the roofs, and whitewashed freely. No case has recurred in the village since this cleansing operation. Mr James has advised the 200 villagers at Karli to remain there for the present, as they will not be allowed to return to Worli for a month. Dr. Street and Mr. James made, on Thursday, a careful survey of Worli, with a view to ultimate measures for reconstructing the village on better lines.

DEATH OF A PARSEE PUBLISHER.

Mr. Jehangier R. Karani, a Parsi publisher, and manager of a printing press, at the Esplanade Cross-road died at the Parsi Plague Hospital, Parel, on Thursday evening. Deceased had published several Gujarati publications and some educational English books. Mr. Jehangier returned from Baroda only a few days ago to Bombay and caught the plague. He left his family at Baroda as his residence is in an infected locality. He leaves behind a circle of friends and a large family.

THE CHOWPATTY HUTS.

Plague cases having been discovered in the thatched huts situate at Chowpatty at the foot of the Hill, the Health Officer recommended their destruction by fire. About two hundered people—millhands, sawyers, gowlis, &c.—living in the huts were given 24 hours' notice to quit by Dr Pollen, Collector of Bombay, and they all left and vacated the sheds by 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Legal difficulties in the way were over come, and the Collector wrote to Mr. Snow, the Municipal Commissioner, that that the huts were ready to be destroyed at a time convenient to him. The Health Officer having been apprised of the fact, he decided to have the jowlies-huts burnt this morning about seven o'clock. A steam fire engine will be kept in readiness as a precautionary measure to prevent the fire extending to any adjacent property, of which there is hardly a chance.

THE SITUATION UP-COUNTRY.

A Correspondent at Broach states that Rustomjee Bejonjee, aged 26 years, who come from Bombay, died of the plague in Broach. A Bhil woman named Jamnee, aged 26 years, has been attacked with the plague. Of 12 infected persons, who went from Bombay, 10 have died.

The plague has extended to the salubrious town of Randeir, near Surat, which hitherto enjoyed immunity from it. Tapee, a Brahmin woman, was attacked with the plague, and died from it.

THE PROPHYLACTIC LYMPH.

The wife of a Parsee medical gentleman has been inoculated with Professor Haffkine's prophylactic lymph, this being the first instance of the inoculation of a Native lady with the lymph. Mr. Pestonjee Framjee Bhandara was also inoculated on Wednesday last. He writes to say that he vomited several times, and the fever rose to 104 degrees, but he felt all right at 9 o'clock the following morning. He intended to have his wife inoculated also. At the suggestion of Professor Haffkine, Mr. K. M. Sheoff was inoculated a second time with the lymph. Another Parsee, who was inoculated on Saturday afternoon, states that he afterwards travelled about five miles without any uneasiness. About 8 p.m., he had a shivering sensation and fever, which rose to 104 degrees, and he passed an uneasy and sleepless night. At 7 o'clock the next morning the fever declined to 99 degrees, and by mid-day he felt all right except a slight strain at the waist. In the case of another Parsee gentleman, the fever rose to 106 degrees. He had a severe headache and slight giddiness, and he passed a restless and uneasy night, and the glands of the throat caused some pain. But at 8 o'clock, the next morning, the fever disappeared, and rose to 99 degrees at mid-day. At 4 p.m. he felt all right.

The total number of deaths from the plague among the Parsees up to date amounts to 253.

THE FUGITIVES AT ANDHERI.

The Municipal Corporation has already sanctioned the laying of a pipe from the Tulsi main for the supply of water to the fugitives from Bombay now temporarily residing at Andheri. It is stated that the Collector of Thana has consented to collect the water cess through the District Board and make it over to the Bombay Municipality on condition that Mr. Nusserwanjee Jehangir Wadia should pay into the Thana treasury the sum of Rs. 26,500 on account of the work. Mr Wadia has generously consented to pay the amount, and after the execution of certain necessary documents, the work will be taken in hand.

FEVER RELIEF FUND.

In addition to the subscriptions detailed yesterday, the follow ng sums have been received :—

	Rs.
Mr E M Carrel ...	20
Mr Pestonji Ratanji Contractor Vajiria...	20
Mr H E E Procter ...	20
The Hon'ble Mr Justice and Mrs John Jardine ...	50
Messrs Manockji and Phirozshah...	10
A Parsee clerk ...	10
A Parsee ...	5
Bai Khurshedji P Gadiali ...	10
Mr Laxman B Nayak...	5

THE CLEANSING OF THE CITY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The suggestion made in your article relative to the employment of prisoners, supervised by European soldiers, for white-washing and disinfecting houses not already in the grip of the plague, and so lessening the chances of its laying hold of them, is thoroughly practical, timely, and excellent. May I suggest that the same admirable idea might, with every hope of excellent results, be carried to a further development. Why should not the Government, with the co-operation of the Military authorities, employ European and Native troops for the same purpose? I venture to assert that if it would import 500 European soldiers here from Poona for the purpose—volunteers solicited with the same offer of reward as was held out at Hongkong—they could accomplish more valuable work in a month than four times the number of Native soldiers in the same period. At the season of the year we are now nearing, to anticipate that the health of the city would suffer were they placed under canvas for a few weeks, say on the Maidan opposite the Sessions Court, and on the southern portion of the Esplanade behind the Marine Lines. Nor do I see any reason why a force of Native sepoys should not be employed in the same way.—Yours, &c.,

Feb. 3, R.

POONA.

The Municipal office returns, for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m., on Thursday, give the following results :—

	Cases.	Deaths.
Imported ...	6	2
Local ...	5	7
Total ...	11	9
Total upto date...	282	231

Three cases were discovered, 2 of which were doubtful, on the Station during the day and there were 17 cases under treatment in the Sassoon Hospital on Friday morning. Five of these are convalescent, and the remainder were nearly all progressing favorably.

Revised ...	2	2
Ganesh ...	1	1
Shanwar ...	1	1
Saharwar ...	2	1
Nana ...	1	1
Vetal ...	1	1
Sassoon Hospital ...	3	1

THE QUARANTINE AT SUEZ.

(From a correspondent.)

CAIRO, January 19.

The following extracts from the letter of an Anglo-Indian lady arrived in Egypt may be useful to others who are thinking of breaking the homeward journey there :—

I venture to write to you, in order to give some information which will be useful to all officers leaving India to land in Egypt. (At all events, I know I should have been very grateful to know some of the facts which I am about to jot down; seeing that I did my best to ascertain in Bombay what was likely to happen.) I allude to the quarantine imposed upon all passengers from Bombay or Kurrachee. Cook and Son could give me no definite details—my own agents could discover nothing; and indeed I could find no one who could tell me whether we were likely to be detained in a lazaretto for a few hours or for 15 days!

Here, then, are the rules. Everybody must go to Moser's Springs with all articles of baggage. A sailing boat costs 10s., but if the wind and tide are unfavourable a steam launch is necessary—to tow the boat (£3, for the launch). The boatmen act as coolies—carrying baggage to the disinfecting buildings. These buildings are new, well built; and the disinfecting apparatus is of the latest pattern Fumigation or disinfection is done, I should say, most efficaciously; and the medical man and his staff are most civil. They are supposed to open every package; but they do not carry things so far—they only insist on passing such things as soiled underclothes and pillows or bedding through the process, while the outside of boxes is sponged with a disinfectant. There is a fee levied for the business: each person is charged for his own "disinfection:" (in our case nothing was done as we were not "suspect")—then the boatmen have to be fumigated and there is a charge for that, and every package is charged six piastres (about 1s. 3d). The detention was not more than five hours. The Captain of the Dilwara gave us a luncheon basket well, furnished; as he said we might starve; but there is an hotel managed by an Italian who speaks English well so meals can be obtained. The rules are that if no case has occurred on the ship, simple disinfection only is necessary. If a case has occurred on the ship detention would be necessary (according to circumstances) of from two days to nine days. But the satisfactory point is this: the detention would not be very awful; for the hotel would provide food, and there is shooting to be had close by (ibex, and quail when in season). So that with a few books the imprisonment would be quite bearable, for at this season, at all events, the air there is bracing and the climate perfection. The sands abound in shells of great variety, so that a naturalist would find lots to interest him. We arrived here this afternoon, having stayed one night at Suez.—*Pioneer.*

PARASITIC DISEASE IN THE TROPICS.

CAN the white man make his home in the Tropics; can he hope to thrive and breed nations there? The question is one of singular interest, for now the limits of the world are known. Still we find population ever increasing and crying for outlets.

An able and rising Italian medical man, Dr. Luigi Sambon, of Rome, whose face and character give one a perfect picture of the scientific explorer and enthusiast, has been giving this matter very great attention. He is at present in London (writes a Chronicle interviewer), and I have had a talk with him about it. Other matters crept in, as, for instance, the plague, which is raging in India.

Dr. Sambon has a broad text, a new and perhaps a daring one, for the diseases of the Tropics—parasitism, the great cause, hygiene the great line of cure. He is an Englishman on his mother's side, he studied in London, and he is full of admiration for what England has done towards civilisation in the Tropics and elsewhere. He has expounded his remarkable discoveries in an exhaustive article in the *British Medical Journal.*

"Needless to state," he observed, "the question of the white man in the Tropics affects England more than any other country. There was an important discussion on the subject at the late Geographical Congress in London. Indeed, it has been a geographical question, if I may so express myself, rather than a scientific one.

"You think, I take it, that here we must call in science to give us the final verdict?"

"At least let the scientists come to the assistance of the geographers, and it is in that spirit that I have myself pursued a somewhat exhaustive series of investigations. The general verdict in the past has been that Europeans could not hope to make the Tropics their permanent habitation—that, in the full sense those parts of the globe could not become the habitat of the race which has the highest civilisation. My conclusions are averse to that. I think the white race can people the Tropics without losing in health. If you please, though, will you represent me as suggesting conclusions rather than laying them down. It is light, more night, that we want.

What, are the reasons on which the Tropics have been declared unsuitable for European

Broadly, they are three. First that children could not thrive in tropical latitudes; secondly, that white men could not work; and, thirdly, that in the Tropics the race deteriorates. May I deal with those points one by one? A long time ago you own Sir Joseph Fayrer wrote a work on the management of children—European children, that is—in the Lawrence Orphanage at Calcutta. Well, he found that those children, taking them on the average, grew up quite as healthily as if—like other European children born in Calcutta—they had been sent to England or to the hill country of India. Again, the death-rate of European children—in India—is far lower than the death-rate among Hindu children."

"Next about the European at work in the Tropics?"

"We have a great number of facts to prove that he can work in the Tropics without suffering hurt. Take one very good illustration, however, that of the tea planters of Assam. They have to labour in the hottest season, and at the hottest time of the day, and they do not suffer from the heat."

"And the deterioration of the European—do you say there is no deterioration?"

"That brings me to what I regard as the crux of the whole problem. According to my investigations the European in the Tropics does not deteriorate in any way on account of the meteorological conditions amid which he works. Any deterioration is simply due to disease, and so is preventable—it is due to parasitism. The obstacle to the colonisation of the tropics is not what we call the climate, but is parasitic disease."

"You absolutely dismiss the popular notion as to climate; you declare that the secret does not lie with the climate at all?"

That is the heart of the business. And as it is parasitism, not climate—that may be repeated again and again—so the matter is one of hygiene. If [illegible] can, as I believe, establish ourselves on this ground, then you see how important the results [illegible] be. At one time malaria was a curse of the Lincolnshire fens. Now days you never hear of a case there. Why? Because drainage, cultivation, improved hygiene, have stamped it out. Malaria, cholera, yellow fever, like tuberculosis, scarlet fever or whooping-cough, are parasitic diseases. In the Tropics, also, we must make it impossible for the parasite to thrive multiply and spread—that is to say, cope with the diseases in the germ, when the parasite is still in the soil. The ancients attributed disease to the stars, later we have had it attributed to meteorological conditions. Thirdly we come to the parasite and there, undoubtedly, we reach the true source.

Of course, the bubonic plague now raging in India is a tropical disease, and further a parasitic disease.

"Quite so. Ships bring no tical diseases to England, as they brought the brown rat, which has now replaced the native European black rat. The plague first came to England in 1348, and after successive pandemics culminated in the Great Plague of 1665, in which 70,000 persons died of the disease. A peculiarity of the plague is that the it spreads widely at long periods and then as a terrible thing. I hope there may be no visitation of Europe this time, and certainly we have done much by sanitation to make that difficult. Yet, in disease, we ought never to regard ourselves as secure, but rather press on with the great preventive, meaning always better sanitation."

"You speak of the plague as being in its origin a tropical disease, and dont we associate different parts of the Tropics?

"You must compare the distribution of diseases to the distribution of the flora and the fauna of the world—one sort to one part, another arises out of the conditions of another region. By the traffic of the world the seeds are carried hither and thither, sometimes to sprout in the new soil, sometimes to be choked by the parasites already in possession. That is it—set a parasite to catch a parasite, and when we thoroughly know the properties of micro-organisms towards each other in this respect we shall have made unspeakable advances. For example, I believe from all my inquires that sunstroke is a parasitic disease—an ailment caused by a parasite."

"But dear me, isn't that quite destroying the meaning of the term 'sunstroke'—a stroke of the sun, an affliction the result of great heat?"

"Sunstroke or heatstroke—both are familiar. I take the term used by the old English physicians in India—namely, ardent fever. The life-history of the parasite of ardent fever takes us very near to the bacilli of tetanus—lockjaw, you know. The most important thing to consider is the geographical distribution of ardent fever. On the Gold Coast, which is very unhealthy and hot, there is no sunstroke. In the valley of the Nile and the shores of the Red Sea it is extremely frequent. In America it is frequent on the Atlantic coast and unknown on the Pacific coast. If it were due to heat why not have it on the Gold Coast above all places."

"To sum up, what is needed for the Tropics is what science has striven to reach in Europe—a knowledge of all the diseases peculiar to them, and the treatment of these by hygienic methods?"

"Do that, and then let climate, whether in the Tropics or any where else, look after itself, only always adapting yourself to it. As I have said, some tropical diseases have taken root among ourselves, but there are many of which we know nothing whatever. Let us delegate scientists to investigate these, as we should send botanists to examine into the natural history of an unknown stretch of Africa. When we know the history of each microbe we shall understand the means by which we must fight them."

"Just as we fight diseases about which we do have knowledge, because, unhappily, they have forced themselves hor rible upon us?"

"We know that filth, poverty, and immorality are the favourite conditions on which dis ase flourishes. As a m re matter of personal interest it will pay us, therefore, to strive for the elevation of those who live in filth and poverty. If sanitation were as thorough as taxation, what a healthy world we should have and hygiene to fight parasitism—that is the golden key which will make the Tropics lands of white men and settled civilisation."

It might be mentioned perhaps, that but for the disaster to his countrymen in Abyssinia, Dr. Sambon would now be engaged on a medical mission in that country on behalf of the Italian Government.

THE British ship South African, from Rangoon to Rio Grande with a cargo of rice, had been picked up at Saldanha Bay by the tug Aurora, which with the assistance of the Luna, towed her into Table Bay. The crew of the South African were stricken down with scurvy, and the vessel has been drifting about the Indian and South Atlantic Oceans for the past six months. The crew are now in hospital.

THE want of a man of culture and fashion like the late Mr. Augustus Lumley (brother of the recently deceased Lord Savile) is much felt by hostesses who, in the present time of country balls, desire the appearance of dancing men at these gatherings. They are, indeed, as scarce as palm trees on the Riviera. Mr. Lumley, in the good old times, could always furnish the requisite article at short notice, for he kept a list of presentable male votaries of Terpsichore, and, with the greatest good nature, vouched for their power of dancing to the many ladies who entertained. Mr. Lumley was very particular, moreover, as to their character and appearance, though not as to their worldly possessions, which he always averred did not concern him in the least. One piece of advice he constantly gave to his young friends, and that was, "Always wear good trousers." And he himself set the example.

FEMININE FACTS AND FANCIES.

THE Queen has never entirely given up wearing carriage, and occasionally dons a pair of some considerable length and magnificent lustre.

Dressmakers, it is said, are making a determined attempt to bring in bodices that fasten up the centre of the back, by means of invisible hooks, or with buttons or laces.

Very much in evidence in the streets just now are the wearers of purple. It is some time since dark purple was fashionable for a tailor-made gown, yet it promises to be restored to full favour this season, and is a very stately colour indeed.

A grave difficulty has arisen in the progress made in the experiment of trained Nurses. No sooner is a star of the hospital at the zenith of her usefulness, than all her glowing promise is blasted by the chill frost of matrimony. Love matches between patient and nurse are now so frequently reported that science is forced to realise with all its power it is helpless in the hands of the little blind boy.

The latest Parisian baby sends out a miniature card in blue or pink tints with the following inscription:—"I have the pleasure to inform you of my entrance into this world on the —, and to add that mamma and I are very well." Another runs:—"I am very pleased to be able to announce to you my happy arrival in this world, and I hope to enjoy my life in it very much. Mamma and I are well, and papa is delighted."

Costume parties are suggested as a "pass time" for the idle rich. For instance, says the originator of the notion, a Louis Quinze tea, at which all the dresses worn should be modelled after the picturesque gowns of that golden epoch, would result in a brilliant assemblage. A childrens party, where each child is dressed like a doll, makes a beautifull entertainment. Picturesqueness is much to be desired in these stereotyped days, and the most successful hostess is the one who know this and strives to secure it.

Coloured kid in every conceivable delicate tint is now used for evening dress shoes, and jewels are constantly employed to embellish them. The shoes must be en suite with the colour of the dress, and to this end the kid is dyed to match the material, but brocade and silk are usually to be had without this trouble, and if the evening toilette be of either fabric, a short piece of it should be sent to the shoemaker. It must be admitted, however, that fashion at present mostly favours kid shoes rather than those of silk or brocade.

The thoughtful guest will take gracefully the goods the gods provide. She will pardon any seeming lack of attention. She will contribute of her best to the pleasure of others. She will seek to appear cheerful when perhaps she is sad, and will hide possible misfortune or weariness until her own door is locked. She will remember that, however much her friends love her, there is a limit to their interest in her or her affairs. She will remember that she, as much as her hostess, is under obligations to be interesting and agreeable. She will make careful toilets, taking pains to look her best that her hostess may have a just pride in her personal appearance as well as in her attractiveness of manner.

An interesting experiment is about to be made at Washington: a mother's club is about to be organised. Rich women and poor will meet at the same club, and work side by side for the common good. "The object of the new movement is to interest mothers, and, for that matter, all men and women, in the questions most vital to the welfare of their children, not only from a physical and moral, but spiritual standpoint as well." At the sociable meetings of the club the best plans for the raising and development of children will be discussed, and the ideas of those who are giving the subject some thought be read. Instructive books will be at hand for the mothers to read at home. The club will have no class lines drawn.

How to keep out moth has baffled the ingenuity of many a careful housewife. Camphor, sandal wood, pepper, &c., all had been tried and found wanting, and it has been left to the inventive Jap (a trade paper remarks) to discover the only satisfactory preventive. The remedy, which is now being put upon the market, is known as Manahan's double strength sweet pine tarine moth sheets. It is claimed for this material that is will not only prevent moth from attacking furs and robes, but in cases where goods are unknowingly put away egg laden with the aromatic exhalations of the pine tar will smother and suffocate the moth before it has had time to do any damage. Bags of all sizes are made of this tar paper and prove a safeguard against the ravages of all moth.

A funny little story is told of a certain lady who was one of a Saturday-to-Monday house party in a country house recently. She took her maid with her, but on the first evening of her visit the hostess sent her own attendant to help her dress for dinner. The toilette was almost completed when the hostess sent for the maid. The guest said she could finish dressing alone and the maid went away. Then the guest missed the bodice of her gown. It was nowhere to be found. Evidently it had been left behind. The dinner hour arrived. She was keeping the others waiting. She is a woman of resource. On the bed lay a white crape shawl. She picked it up, threw it about her shoulders, pinned it here and there, and sailed down to dinner in a toga-like garment, with the bodice of her dinner-gown dangling behind her from the waist band hooks to which the maid had attached it.

A lady who is now a habitual cigarette smoker says she began to smoke because her husband desired her to do so. She says:—"He once stayed some days with one of his colleagues, and came home very much impressed with the fact that his cousin's wife smoked; he thought it the jolliest, most comfortable sight to see husband and wife enjoying a quiet smoke and chat after dinner, much more companionable than when he smoked his solitary cigar, while she sat in like solitary grandeur in the drawing-room. So I tried it, I liked it, and there I was. I never smoke in the forenoon, not till after dinner, only one or two cigarettes sometimes, at other times three, four, or five at the very most. I never smoke in public places of any description. I don't think it is wrong, but personally I dislike it, that is all. I know a great many smoking ladies; in fact, I do not know many who don't smoke, but I have only known a few real hard smokers amongst ladies—and, to be quite honest it is not a pretty sight to see a lady sucking away at a big cigar, although of course it is only a degree in difference, but then degrees are really everything.

The cheap sales at the present moment in England are dominant, and, to the disinterested observer, present a curious study. At some of the large drapery establishments these sales are genuine enough, consisting of stock that possesses the qualities of freshness, and sold off for no other reason than that it has to be superseded by spring fabrics intended for spring wear. But there are many establishments where, for the purposes of the sales, articles are run up in shoddy fashion in the cheapest and least satisfactory of materials, with linings composed of so-called silk, in which the proportion of cotton is as about seven-teen to twenty, and finished with furs which were never on speaking acquaintance with any animal more aristocratic than the cat and the rabbit. Many a bargain hunter finds this out by bitter experience, and rues the day when she hopefully started out to visit the cheap sales. But, to those who know their way about in this wonderful London, which, like the world in general, is "made up of all sorts," there are splendid opportunities afforded by the almost universal sales. And more especially is this so for the clever women and girls who can make up their own dresses at home. This might, at first sight, be supposed to be a lost art, but the fashion of blouse—long may it reign!—favours this essential economy to an agreeable degree. With a cut paper pattern of a well-shaped skirt, the impecunious girl and the matron of limited dress allowance can work wonders in the way of making a good appearance upon a very small sum.

It is really the dressmaker's charges which run away with so many of the scanty sovereigns expended by many conscientious Englishwomen upon their wardrobe. Take, for instance, the purchase of an inexpensive dress length, some woollen material, brightened with a mixture of lustrous silk, and bought at a very low figure. This is entrusted to a fourth-class or fifth-rate dressmaker, who, after an uncertain interval, returns it with the skirt hanging hopelessly bad, the bodice too tight in the chest, too loose in the waist, and uncomfortably, nay, even painfully, dragging in the sleeves. For the making she may possibly charge something under a sovereign, but more usually about twenty-five shillings, and for linings, whalebone, fastenings, bindings, stiffenings, petersham, and ribbons, she will run up a fantastically imaginative document which proves rather a capacity for elegant fiction than for the humdrum employment of dressmaking. Skill, no doubt, is costly, but even on the best it seems ethically wrong that the price of the material of any garment should bear so small a proportion to that of its fashioning.

As a consequence of all this, one most advantageous purchase during the present cheap sales is that of a well hung, well cut skirt in some material that is suitable for all-round wear, and may occasionally be impressed into service for evenings. There are thousands of such skirts now offered to the public at two and a half and three guineas apiece, usually in fancy crepon or broache materials. These, with very slight alteration, can be adapted to almost any figure. It is very likely that these ready-made skirts may require some attention to the matter of fastening off the stitching of the seams and seeing to other minutiæ which the rapidity of the original worker has caused him to neglect. But with the blouse and the bolero and the ready-made folded sash, there can be no excuse for those who, feeling the expense to be beyond them, employ an expensive and not always satisfactory dressmaker. One of these ready-made skirts is in dark grey cloth bordered with a narrow band of astrachan. The bolero is in grey, and is also edged with astrachan, and sleeves are in the same material as the dress. The blouse is orange velvet cord, and the folded sash is black satin, such as may be purchased during the sales for seven or eight shillings.

The chance of buying a good and comfortable cape or wrap at a low price is not to be neglected. It is a curious thing that between the German-made and low-priced article and the very expensive English tailor-made there seems to be no happy medium in this class of goods. Consequently, there are many who postpone their purchase of a winter mantle until the January sales, when, for three or four guineas, they may obtain articles that, at ordinary times, would cost seven, eight, ten, or twelve pounds. The happy woman who possesses what may call a stock-size figure can rely upon suiting herself with some of these, but she who is too meagre or too ample for the ready-made garment will find herself left out in the cold. For the slim, tailor-made figure whose figure approximates as nearly as possible to that of the young ladies in the show room, she can have one of these tightly-fitting garments made to suit her, with very slight, if any, alteration. It is safer for wives than those build of the substantial and less mobile sort to select for their own wear the jackets with half loose fronts that are now popular. There are various kinds of open fronted jackets in preparation for the spring, but, for the present, the double breasted tailor made is the favourite form.

A POLICE SPY who had the hardihood to make his way into a thieves' kitchen in one of the worst districts of South London was some what roughly handled a week or two ago. It appears he happened to be known to one of the *habitues* of the place, and the result was that he narrowly escaped with his life. Still more recently a man in South London was attacked by indigestion. Headache, loss of appetite, and low spirits all joined in the attack, and the poor fellow thought he could not escape with his life, when some true friend came to his rescue and recommended him to take Holloway's Pills. He took the advice and the Pills, with the result that he is now a happy and a healthy man.

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2. All instructions respecting these rules, and the enforcing of the same, is hereby entrusted to the Port Officer where there is one, and to Customs Vahivatdar of the port concerned where there is no separate Port Officer.

3. Full Quarantine which requires complete isolation of the vessels, or person or thing carried by the same, for a period of eight clear days from date of the vessel leaving the infected port, shall be imposed when the Port Authorities are satisfied that a case of plague has occurred since the date of leaving the infected port; and such period of isolation shall further be renewed for a similar period from date of every fresh case afterwards.

4. The rigour of full Quarantine can only be reduced or modified on the recommendation of the Chief Medical Officer of the State.

5. All vessels flying the yellow flag shall promptly take up such anchorage or moorings as may be assigned by the Port Authorities in each case.

6. When in full Quarantine :—

(a) Passengers shall be landed and placed under observation for a period of eight clear days in such manner and at such places as the Port Authorities may direct: sick persons shall be removed for treatment to a special hospital prepared for the purpose.

(b) No member of the crew shall be allowed to land, nor get into any vessel or lighter alongside.

(c) Any person going on board any vessel in Quarantine, from the shore or other vessel not in Quarantine, must remain there.

(d) All supplies required by the Master or crew shall be passed up the side of the vessel in receptacles which shall be received and sent back while such vessel is in Quarantine.

(e) Cargo can be discharged into or taken on board from lighters alongside, provided the crew aling or slow the same. Labourers for this purpose taken on board must remain there.

(f) No communication other than oral shall be allowed with the shore from boats alongside or with any vessel not similarly placed.

7. When vessels arrive with no cases of plague on board, and the Medical Officer of the State is satisfied that it will not be necessary to impose full Quarantine, an inspection of passenger and crew will be made on board and a second scrutiny made as passengers are landed.

8. Under no circumstances will passengers be allowed to land, or Cargo to be landed, from a vessel arriving from an infected port, except between the hours of 7 A. M. and 6 P. M.

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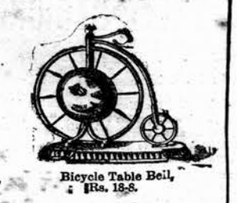
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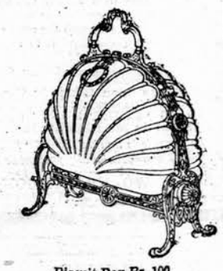
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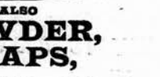

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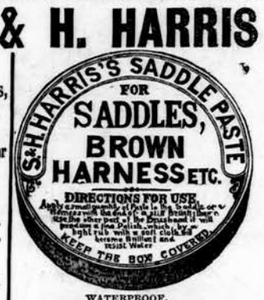

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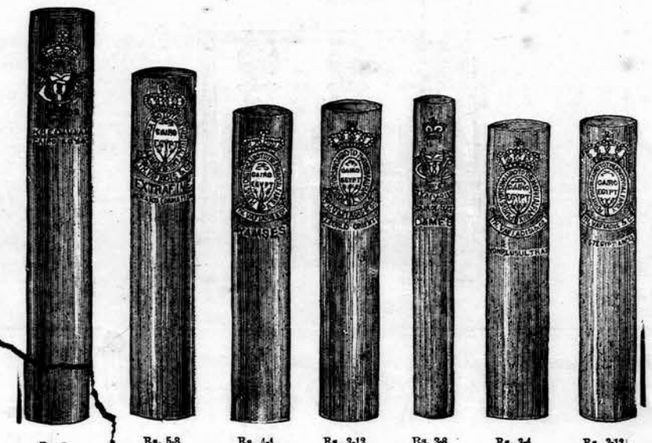

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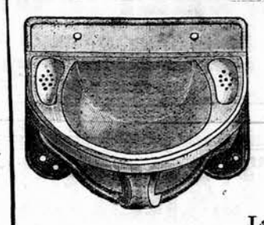

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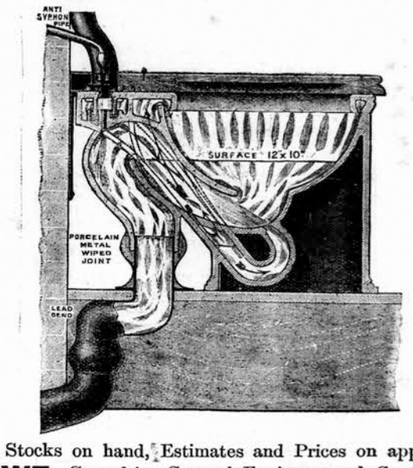

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